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# Short demoted as Blair wields axe



Clare Short: TV walkout

CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

TONY BLAIR last night re-moved Clare Short from her post as Shadow Transport Secretary in a ruthless reshuffle of his top team.

Ignoring the fact that she came third in the Shadow Cabinet elections, he demoted her to a low-key role in charge of overseas development and replaced her with Andrew Smith — who did not even stand in the poll. Ms Short reluctantly accepted the job after a series of meetings and

our leader failed to secure her

Mr Blair took full advantage of his success on Wednesday night - when his favoured team was re-elected by the party's MPs — by carrying out a bigger reshuffle than expected and ignoring the convention that only those elected should receive Shadow

Mr Smith's promotion from Shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury was one of several changes that will give Gordon Brown a much stronger power base, since Mr Smith is one of the Shadow Chancellor's favoured lieutenants. He is re-

placed by Alistair Darling, who moves up from his job as City spokesman to the post he always wanted.

And Harriet Harman, another key ally of Mr Brown, moves sideways to social security, where she will play a big role in the Shadow Chancellor's welfare-to- work

She swaps jobs with Chris Smith, who has completed most of the pre-election policy work on social security, but has had several spending battles with Mr Brown Ms Harman, who replaces Mr Smith on the crucial review group which is considering

to 18-year-olds, made clear last night that she would back Mr Brown's calls for tough spending decisions.

In a surprise move, Mr Blair has decided to bring in Frank Field, the chairman of the Social Security Select Committee, to advise his top team. Mr Field, known for his independent ideas which have sometimes been further to the right than some Tory rightwingers, will join Mr Blair, Ms Harman, David Blunkett and Ms Short on a new committee, chaired by Mr Brown, to co-ordinate the wel-

It is believed that Ms Short was offered membership as a sop after initially refusing the job at overseas devolopment. Ms Short, who only nine months ago was a rising star and well in with the Labour leadership, has been a loose cannon in recent months and Mr Blair decided some time

ago he wanted to move her. Her embarrassing walkout during a television interview on Wednesday night was the last straw and gave him the excuse to demote her to a job which is unlikely to be a Cabinet post in a Labour government. Ms Short resisted the change at a meeting

night, and yesterday she had two further telephone conversations with the leader, during which she was said to have been offered the ODA post again or environmental protection, which has been recreated as a Shadow Cabinet

A leadership spokesman said that Ms Short accepted the first job offered her and that the proposal had been made partly because rail pri-vatisation had been completed. "He (Mr Blair) has got huge respect for Clare and likes her and is delighted she Continued on page 2, col 1

Burundi

FROM SAM KILEY

IN BUJUMBURA

THERE were fears last night that the central African repub-

lic of Burundi was about to be engulfed by new Hutu-Tutsi

atrocities following a coup by

The military closed the

country's borders and airports

and outlawed political parties as the United Nations report-

ed two provincial towns sur-

Para-commandos from the

former colonial power Bel-

ium are on alert to evacuate

the more than 300 Belgian nationals if the situation dete-

riorates further. Extremists

are exploiting a cycle of ethnic fear for their own political

ends. The world has to act now

to break that cycle," David Bryer, director of Oxfam, said

Burundi's tragic history is stained with tribal massacres.

The worst was in 1972 when

Tutsis worried about their

grip on power killed an esti-mated 100,000 Hutus.

rounded by Tutsi rebels.

the army.

in London.



walked out again?

# Victory for Portillo over £4bn RAF order

By Michael Evans and Arthur Leathley

A £4 billion defence order that will safeguard thousands of iobs was announced yesterday after Michael Heseltine was battle between the Chancellor and the Defence Secretary.

Michael Portilio said that the decision to award three RAF contracts for a new Nimrod maritime patrol aircraft and two missile systems to British companies would help to sustain about 5,000 jobs, although the firms in-volved said that far more would be created.

The announcement represented a victory for Mr Portillo over Kenneth Clarke, who had wanted the orders delayed until the autumn to save money. But Conservative backbenchers were becoming increasingly angry about the uncertainty caused by the clash between the ministers. and on Tuesday - after facing an embarrassing question in the Commons — John Major asked Mr Heseltine to

The three met for 45 minutes on Wednesday evening and finally agreed the terms of the orders in time for yesterday's Cabinet meeting.

British Aerospace was awarded the £2 billion contract to supply the RAF with 21 Nimrod 2000 aircraft, and it will collaborate with the French company Matra on a second order — for more than 1,000 conventionally armed stand-off missiles.

Rolls-Royce will provide the Nimrod engines, Racal the radar, and GEC, Smiths Industries, and Shorts of Belfast will be among 200 contribut-

ing companies.
The third contract, for a new air-launched anti-tank weapon, goes to GEC and Marconi.



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Mr Portillo's decision to favour the British bids for all three contracts over American rivals was welcomed last night MPs. BAe said that 10,000 jobs would be created throughout Britain - either directly or indirectly — as a result of its £2 billion share of the order. These contracts will create and sustain many thousands of quality, hightechnology jobs throughout the UK aerospace industry," Dick Evans, the chief execu-

tive, said. Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, said: The competitions were closely contested, and the results confirm that the defence industry in teh UK can compete successfully on a global basis."

David Clark, the Shadow

Defence Secretary, also welcomed the announcement, but he condemned the "weeks of Cabinet in-fighting and indecision" and accused Mr Portillo and Mr Clarke of playing politics with people's

jobs.
The conflict between the two ministers was described by Whitehall sources yesterday as a classic stand-off between a spending department and the Treasury. "But because of the personalities involved, it could have become a real cause celebre for the Right and Left of the Conservative Party."
Mr Heseltine — whose own

Cabinet career was interrupted in the Eighties over a defence contract dispute was called in to arbitrate after Mr Major was put on the defensive by a senior Tory MP in the Commons on Tuesday. He is understood to have sided with Mr Portillo over the important job implications of awarding the contracts as

soon as possible.

But Treasury sources indicated last night that the Defence Secretary is likely to have to find further economies in his budget in the next

spending round.
Officials said that the Chancellor had given away nothing that would lead to extra spending commitments, since the money for the RAF orders had already been accounted for in the Defence Ministry's long-term costings. The public spending ceiling would re-main at £268.2 billion, an official said: "It's up to the Ministry of Defence how they allocate their resources."

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Britain's Mary King jumps to first place yesterday during the individual equestrian event, which lasts for three days

# Atlanta turns on 'foreign whingers'

THE people of Atlanta are angry and bewildered about the way their city has been lambasted for organisational shortfalls during week one of the centennial Olympics. Some have resorted to threats and Bill Campbell, the

mayor, detecting a bias against Southerners" was perhaps only half jesting when he remarked that the international media should be taken to the Olympic rifle range, put against a wall, and shot.

A local radio station has run regular denouncements of the "foreign lickspittle whingers" (to use one of the politer terms), and The Times, among other newspapers, was at-tacked for having the temerity to relay to its readers the transport and computer chaos of the opening days of what Atlanta promised would be "the greatest games of all

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Quentin Letts in Atlanta finds that negative foreign media coverage of the centennial Olympic Games has prompted a fierce local

time". I now have an insight into how one of my predeces-sors, William Howard Russell, the 19th Century war reporter, felt when he passed this way in the 1860s covering the American civil war for The

His despatches, particularly the description of the hellish first battle of Bull Run, earned him numerous foes. He had to take refuge, finally fleeing the American continent. Historians have since ar-gued that the Confederacy, although it had been dis-

mayed by Russell's reports, later suffered from the ab-sence of his objectivity.

Reporting the Olympics takes less courage and skill, but there have been moments when I have concealed my press identity badge lest it should lead to trouble with

peppery natives.

During an interview on Atlanta's Radio WGST, I was sworn at, shouted at, and generally abused by the disc jockey Sean Hannity, who later gave listeners the telephone number for the British

Press corps and the Atlanta media centre. Numerous hate calls followed, promising awful things. Happily, there were also some calls of support from Georgians who apologised for Hannity's boor-

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution carried aggressive messages. One ran simply: To Quentin Letts of the London Times — kiss my grits!" (Grits being a maize breakfast porridge served in the deep South and little liked

by outsiders).

An Atlanta discussion group has rallied to the city's support, attacking visitors who are unhappy with the Olympics' transport system and underground railway, which duly obliged yesterday with a rush-hour derailment.

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## Home loan rates lowest since 1965

massacre Home loans fell to their lowest level since January fears 1965 after the Nationwide Building Society shaved 0.25 per cent off its standard after coup

mortgage to 6.49 per cent. The new rate, which takes effect from September 1, represents a monthly saving of nearly £7 on a £50,000 repay-

## Israeli peace call

The Israeli Prime Minister threw down a peace challenge to Syria by offering to pull his occupying troops out of south-ern Lebanon in exchange for peace along the northern is-raeli border.... Pages 11, 16, 19

## Black boxes find

The investigation into the crash of TWA Flight 800 was close to a breakthrough as experts in Washington examined the aircraft's "black boxes", which divers recovered off Long Island ........ Page 15

## Imran apology

Imran Khan withdrew his defence that his allegations of ball-tampering against Ian Botham were justified, and offered the former England Army takeover, page 14 apology.....

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# Tories call up Thatcher to revive grassroots



Thatcher: praised Redwood and delivered snub to Portillo

CLARE SHORT yesterday paid the penalty for being left

behind in new Labour's long

A series of gaffes, culminat-

ing in an abrupt and stormy

departure from a television

studio earlier this week, high-

lighted her failure to fit in.

Her demotion to Overseas

Development spokesman

means that she is unlikely to

gain any further publicity

unless accompanied by the Princess of Wales to a war

The left-wing Ms Short,

who campaigned for Marga-

ret Beckett as leader and who

once called Mr Blair "a poi-

sonous voice", proved that

ideologically she could go a

long way fast when he was

elected two years ago. She was soon being hailed as part of

brave new Labour and the

woman who initiated all-

women selection lists for Lab-

Only some tabloid newspa-

pers seemed to dislike her. year.

our candidates.

march to media friendliness.

AND ANDREW PIERCE

BARONESS THATCHER has been asked to play a substantial role in the Conservative election campaign. Although she has lost much of her influence with MPs, party strategists argue that she is still a considerable asset in rallying support among grassroots Tories.

Senior party sources say that Lady Thatcher, 70, will campaign in marginal seats, particularly where she knows the MPs, and will again address the candidates' conference at

the beginning of the campaign. She is more likely to provide photoopportunities than big speeches. The

Gaffe-prone Short

fails new Labour's

smooth-talking test

By ALICE THOMSON AND PHILIP WEBSTER

raped" after she tried to ban

But last year it seemed that

every time she was given a

microphone, in the words of

an irritated Labour aide she

and naive drivel from the days

of old Labour." Other Labour

sources said she was "infelici-

tous and has the fuse the

She felt increasingly com-

pelled to stray from her trans-port brief. First she

embarrassed Mr Blair when

she said on air that Labour

should consider legalisation of

she appeared to be less than

supportive of Harriet Harman

over her decision to send her

son to a selective grammar school. This April she revived

arguments over Labour's tax

plans for middle income earn-

ers when she said she would

not object to paying a bit more

tax on her salary of £35,000 a

She ran into trouble when

length of her name".

cannabis.

Page Three girls.

creet part in the 1992 election campaign, when she had only recently been jilted from office. Her main setpiece was addressing the candi-dates, with a show of unity with her successor, John Major. Although she spent much of the election abroad, she visited her friends' constituencies before she went. The tour was organised by Conservative Central Office, but she chose where she

She is still close to some rightwing MPs, including John Redwood and John Whittingdale, her former parliamentary private secretary, but several former admirers say she has lost her influence on the party.

are heading the Conservative Party's summer publicity over the next two months. Party sources stressed that the campaign would not focus solely on attacking Labour, but would involve several policy announcements next month.

Michael Heseltine, the deputy prime minister, will take the lead on jobs and enterprise. Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, will head the attacks on Labour, Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, will focus on law and order, and Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, will take overall responsibility for constitutional issues, backed by Michael Forsyth, the Scottish Secretary, and William Hague, the Welsh Secretary. Today Mr Forsyth will take the Scottish frontbench to Linlithgow, near Edinburgh, to campaign against Labour's plans for a Scottish Parliament. Tomorrow John Redwood is sched-

uled to fly to the United States for a nine-day lecture tour, meeting leading figures in the Republican party. Lady Thatcher has given him a glowing letter of introduction, while delivering a thinly veiled snub to Mr Portillo, who was once seen as her favourite heir.

She has turned down Mr Portillo's request to attend a fund-raising function, at a date of her choosing, at his Enfield Southgate conservative



Dr Baldwin, his rottweiler and truck. The NHS paid £2,300 moving expenses

# One medical man and his dog go back to America

By Dominic Kennedy, social affairs correspondent

AMERICAN doctor whose dog was flown to Brit-ain at the expense of the National Health Service when he took up a job here is returning after a year.

The health trust that paid Or Craig Baldwin's £2,500 relocation package on top of a £52,000 salary denies embar-rassment. "We would have had a lot more egg on our face had we not been able to recruit a consultant anaesthetist." Anne Botterill, spokeswoman for Hartlepool and East Dur-ham NHS Trust, said.

Dr Baldwin, 52, was criticised by trade unions and Labour politicians when the trust paid an air ticket and six Leading article, page 19 months' quarantine for his rottweiler Fritz and shipped his pick-up truck across. He said: I would be lying if I said the row over bringing my dog to England wasn't one of the things that has pushed me to go. It did upset me."

But nomesickness chief reason for Dr Baldwin and his wife Tricia returning to St Louis, her home town. His new employers at a children's hospital have left him to pay up to £5,000 relocation

Mrs Baldwin, 51, gave birth to twins boys shortly after her husband started work at Hartlepool General Hospital last July. He said: "My wife has a large family in the States and she has faced a lot of social

isolation here. Perhaps because we are an older couple with small babies, we don't seem to fit in socially." Dr Baldwin was surprised

by the row over what he thought was a private arment "You need to de Stalinise your politics and your hospitals a little bit," he

The trust says it would have lost accreditation to train junior doctors without an anaesthetist. It has recruited a

British replacement.

Dr Baldwin's family received less than a warm North Country welcome. Their home was burgled and a gang of boys continually threw eggs and stones at it.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## BBC governors keep World Service plan

BBC governors yesterday defended proposed changes to the World Service by John Birt, the Director-General. At their monthly meeting — their first opportunity to discuss widespread public concern about the restructuring — the 12 widespread public concern about the restructuring — the 12 governors said they believed the changes would "yield significant benefits, enhancing the quality of services and reducing costs". They urged Mr Birt to give priority to keeping the English and foreign-language news operations of the World Services at the same leastion. of the World Service at the same location.

The most contentious proposal has been the merger of the World Service's English-language news with general radio and television news. The lease on Bush House, the World Service's traditional home, runs out in 2005.

## Highland fling for DJ

The Radio One disc jockey Chris Evans said yesterday that he would be moving to the Scottish Highlands next week to broadcast his breakfast show from the BBC's studios in Inverness. Evans said that if the relocation worked well he would buy a house and live in the Highlands because the air was cleaner than in London. The other seven members of his show will also transfer for the week.

## Tithe barn owner fined

The owner of a 15th-century tithe barn was fined £8,000 yesterday after being convicted on four counts of causing reckless damage to an ancient monument. Luton Crown Court had been told the barn had been subjected to excavations to its drainage system and moat and illegal foundations and trenches had been dug. John Hope of Little Wymondley, Hertfordshire, said he would appeal.

## Police posted overseas

Irish police officers are to be stationed abroad as part of a government package to combat drug-related crime. Nora Owen, the Justice Minister, said two police liaison officers would be stationed in Madrid and The Hague as part of the battle against drugs. There will also be more judges, powers to seize the assets of criminals and restrictions on

## Two-acre island for sale

A tiny island with its own shipwreck has been put on sale for £275,000 by a millionaire businessman. Two-acre Thorn Island sits a quarter of a mile off Pembrokeshire, southwest Wales. A 19th-century naval fort on the island has been converted into a hotel. Peter Williamson has windsurfed and fished for seven years from the wreck of a Scottish merchant vessel which sank in 1895.

## House prices recover

House prices in Scotland have shown their biggest increase since January 1994, according to figures published by the Royal Bank of Scotland. But although the average price rose by 0.9 per cent, the market was simply regaining lost ground and the trend for housing in Scotland was flat, the bank said. Sales figures for May were also lower than 31-year low, page 23

## Peugeot holiday deal

Pengeot workers have agreed by two-to-one to the company's demands that the plant in Ryton, Coventry, shut down for all of August - but for this year only. The company had also scrapped the traditional September September made up of scheduled "down days", during which essential maintenance will be carried out.

## Sheep may safely graze

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A ram has died after what its owner believes to be a record-breaking 11 seasons "serving" 1,000 ewes at North Hanging Wells Farm, Eastgate, Co Durham. The 14-year-old, called Zed, was found dead in a field by John Skidmore, the 1991 Sheep Farmer of the Year, who believes its serving of 600 ewes in the past three seasons alone might be unrivalled. "He died with a smile on his face," Mr Skidmore said.

## When it was made clear that labelling her "too ugly to be Blair wields the axe

Continued from page ! is taking a very important job in a very important tradition in the Labour Party," the spokesman said.

The environmental protection post goes to Michael Meacher. He moves from employment, where he was always overshadowed by Mr Blunkett, who heads the joint education and employment

Mr Blair's decision to swap Ms Harman and Mr Smith was given various interpretations vesterday. Some insiders believe that Mr Smith has not been radical enough for Mr Blair and has balked at making tough spending decisions. He has rowed with Mr Brown

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benefits, and over changes to child benefit.

that Ms Harman has given a disappointing performance at health and failed to tackle some key issues. Mr Blair's office made clear that he had been keen to move her "to give her a new lease of life".

son's schooling.

Mr Blair is expected to

over extending unemployment

But other sources suggest

He suggested that the iob would give her a boost after her endorsement by the parliamentary party, which reelected her to the Shadow Cabinet in spite of the anger over her decision over her

announce a modest reshuffle of other frontbenchers today.

# £90m jail building scheme will ease overcrowding

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

AN EMERGENCY building programme for the Prison Service was announced yesterday after ministers were told that overcrowding could provoke disturbances. The service won an estimat-

lenged about the Tube strike.

her honesty, bravery and Brummy accent. Like John

Prescott, one of her closest

allies, she doesn't behave like

When asked why she hadn't

merely lied about cannabis.

the staunch Catholic said: "I

cannot live in a world where I

am obliged to lie. If that's the

price of politics, I'm not pay-

ing it." The price of honesty will be regular trips to the

Gordon Brown's power-base within the Labour leader-

ship was strengthened further

yesterday by the appointments

of Andrew Smith to Shadow

Transport Secretary and

Alistair Darling to Shadow Treasury Chief Secretary.

are quintessentially new Lab-

the Shadow Chancellor for

☐ Marjorie Mowlam, the Shadow Northern Ireland

Secretary and a close confi-

dante of Tony Blair, apologised to the Commons after failing to disclose a £21,000 payment from Mirror Group

Newspapers. She did not de-

clare the payment for a researcher in her office.

Mr Smith and Mr Darling

· but both have worked fo

a modern politician.

Third World.

several years.

ed £90 million for vital security improvements to five jails plus the provision of 3,300 places to cater for an inmate population rising at the rate of 250 a week.

But the Treasury has told Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, to find the money from within the present Home Office budget. It will come from an underspend of funds on the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme, Richard Tilt, the new direc-

tor general of the Prison Service, told governors in the 135 jails in England and Wales of his success in getting urgent extra money to reduce overcrowding. "It has been a hardargued battle but I think the arguments won the day." he said. "Without the money there would have been a continuing risk of not having the best security standards in key local prisons."

He warned governors of the difficulties in dealing with a prison population predicted to reach 60,000 by next March, compared with an earlier forecast of 54,500. Last week the number of inmates was 55,851, an increase of 280 on the previous week.

The additional money is to be spent on improving sec-urity at Manchester jail, Dur-ham, Bristol, High Down near Sutton in Surrey and Woodhill near Milton Keynes. which all hold some high-risk immates. It will also be used to refurbish 1,300 cells in vacant Victorian wings at Liverpool, Leeds, Preston and Wandsworth jails. The first modernised cells will be available for use in Liverpool and Preston next April, in Leeds by

December next year and at

Wandsworth by early 1998. Two thousand additional

places are to be provided by building 20 houseblocks in prison grounds. One thousand of the new cells will be open by July 1997 and a further thousand in early 1998. David Roddan, general sec-

retary of the Prison Governors' Association, said: "This argument over money has brought us to the brink of disaster. We sincerely hope that lessons have been learnt for the future" The scale of the problem

was highlighted last week when there were only 60 empty beds in the northern area of the Prison Service. Immates have had to be moved to jails in southern England to ease the pressure, particularly in the North West.

The rapidly rising prison population is a result of government policy. Figures published yesterday show that the tough rhetoric on law and order by both main parties has been reflected in longer sentences being imposed.

## Plea to deny asylum to

Convention on Refugees.

terrorism experience.
The Government has al-

# extremists

THE Home Secretary is to demand that asylum be refused to supporters of terror-ism as part of a G7 package to curb international terrorism (Richard Ford writes). Michael Howard wants the

United Nations to declare that planning, funding or inciting terrorism is contrary to UN principles. Under his plan, anyone engaged in such activi-ties would not be entitled to asylum under the 1951 UN He is to put his plan to an

anti-terrorism summit of foreign and interior ministers from G7 states and Russia in Paris on Tuesday. He said he was confident that the plan would win agreement at the UN. Mr Howard is also to put forward plans for an international directory of counter-

ready announced proposals to give British courts powers to prosecute "foreign extremists" for conspiring or inciting ter-rorist or criminal acts abroad while in the UK.

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MORE than £210 million will be needed over the next five years to start work on halting serious deterioration of some of Britain's most historic houses, the Nat-

ional Trust said yesterday. Charles Nunneley, the trust's chairman, said the charity's ability to maintain its estate was threatened by reduced government support, taxation changes and a decline in traditional sources of

By MICHAEL HORNSBY

income such as legacies. Presenting the trust's annual report. Mr Nunneley said: "The principal challenge now confronting us is to convey to

the world that we are a charity, with equally great liabilities, which needs money and continuing support."

Among properties in need of repair are Petworth House in Sussex, Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire and Knole in Kent. The bill for these alone is put at more than £40 million. Work includes shoring up the crumbling park wall at Knole, replacing rotting beams holding up the first floor at Petworth, and repair of the of 16th and 17th-century wall tapestries at Hardwick.

Last year the trust's income from legacies fell 17 per cent, from £24.6 million to £20.4 million, and accounted

National Trust needs £210m for repairs for only 13 per cent of income, compared with 17 per cent the year before. Legacies are expected to continue to decline

because people are living longer and need more money to support themselves.

Mr Nunneley said the trust was grateful for £8 million in Heritage Lottery Fund grants that were under negotiation but would like to see the rules changed to allow such grants to be given for the care and maintenance of existing properties, not just for the acquisition of

The trust has 23 million members whose annual fees contributed £46 million of its income last year.

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## Hitmen hired to kill husband

# Private eye's last inquiry was into wife's murder plot

THERE was no shortage of suspects when a private detective nicknamed Barry the Bastard was discovered bludgeoned to death in a bath of cold water. As one rival of Barry Trigwell put it when asked who was the likely killer: "It could have been any one of 50 people."

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But when police began unravelling the 44-year-old's complex affairs, they discovered that there was one person who most wanted him dead. Anne Trigwell, 43, his wife of less than a year, had a strong alibi - she was 6,000 miles away in her native South Africa — but her motives were stronger. She had a lover and stood to inherit £400,000 from insurance and mortgage bonds if her husband died.

Yesterday she began a life sentence after being convicted at Birmingham Crown Court of arranging for two South African hitmen to murder her husband at their home in Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands. It was, said Mr Justice Nelson, "a cold, calculated offence. A chilling murder.

"You inspired and planned the death of your husband and you were actively involved in

able to perform their gruesome and vicious task." Mr Trigwell was beaten to death in February last year

when the hitmen's gun failed to go off and his body was placed in the bath to hamper the forensic investigation. He was discovered by John Waight, his partner at the Birmingham branch of the Nationwide Investigations Agency.
Mrs Trigwell, who had os-

tensibly flown to South Africa to care for a pregnant daughter by a previous marriage. was persuaded back to England to attend his inquest by police, who told her she was not a suspect. She shocked them by her lack of emotion. A few days later she was arrested and eight officers travelled to South Africa where they discovered links

between Mrs Trigwell and a nightclub owner, Alex Mitri, 51. Mrs Trigwell was said to have paid him £15,000 for the contract killing, carried out by Loren Sundkvist and Paul

They came to Britain and tried to lure the private detective to his death. But he suspected someone was trying to kill him and, a week before



Barry and Anne Trigwell: she stood to inherit a £400,000 after he was beaten to death at home

his death, he asked his sister, Julie Armener, to pass on information to a trusted fellow investigator if anything happened.

He avoided meetings with the men, who telephoned him offering work, thinking it unusual that they should have his home number.

The telephone number of the Clover Hotel, in Sutton Coldfield, obtained by the victim when he used the 1471 call-back system, and passed to his sister, later helped

The men returned and, according to a receptionist, were delivered a package by a woman matching Mrs Trigwell's description. The receptionist, learing it might contain drugs, opened it to find £300 cash and a freshly cut Yale key. It was resealed and handed to one of the South Africans.

Police believe the receptionist unwittingly handed over the key which the men later used to gain entry to Mr Trigwell's house, before killing him and then locking the door as they left. By the time he was discovered, his killers were already on their way back to South Africa where they remain out of the reach of the law.

Detective Superintendent Ken Evans, who led the investigation, said he was still hopeful the nightclub owner and the two assassins would be brought to justice, despite the present lack of an extradition treaty between Britain and South Africa.

"To me personally that is a very high priority. I would like to see them before our courts. and it is one for the respective governments to consider."

Of Mrs Trigwell, he said: "I think she is a very callous. cold-hearted woman who calculated what she was going to do. There was no other mouve than money. There wasn't one single bit of emotion abroughout the whole of this — that was how she was throughout



A skater makes tracks through the London traffic, above, while Katrina Manson arrives in her father's dinghy on time for a job interview



# Commuters find a way around Tube strikes

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

THEY came by boat, bicycle and scooter, on skates or on foot, an army of 1.6 million commuters determined to beat the Tube strike and make it into work on time.

With the London Underground paralysed for the fourth time this summer, the capital's workforce is resorting to novel means of transport to reach the office. Katrina Manson, 16, was so keen to get to a job interview in the City that her father gave her a lift in his dinghy up the Thames from their home in Chiswiek, west London.

Mr Manson said: "Katrina was furious last week when she had to struggle to get to work. She did not get there until midday and she ended up walking a lot of the way. We were determined that she should not be beaten again." They set off at 7am and Katrina arrived on time three

The pavements and parks with pedestrians, cyclists and

way to work in the sun from 7am onwards as temperatures reached the mid-70s.

Nadia Martin, 24, who works at a City merchant bank, skated the six miles from Earls Court. "We have showers at work so, as the weather is nice, I thought why not? I bought the cheapest pair I could find for £40 and this is only the second time 1 have been out on them."

Bicycles unused for years were seen wobbling towards the Square Mile with pinstriped workers navigating their way to the office. One senior civil servant said be had borrowed his 14-year-old daughter's racing bike to get to Whitehall

Martin Young, 31, a financial adviser, completed a 40mile round trip by cycling from his office in Staines to Waterloo to catch a train to a meeting in south London. The strike is a pain, but I can get showered in the office.

lan Smith, 53, managing

director of the Midlands Shires Farmers Board, walked from Marble Arch to a business meeting at Waterloo. "I am not happy," he said. "It's quite hot. I set out at 8.45 and don't expect to get there until 9.50. This is hard work. 1 would not describe myself as a regular walker."

Thousands of others going to the Lord's Test and a Buckingham Palace garden party were forced into long marches in the sun from mainline railway stations. Brian and Christine Knight, garden party guests, had to carry their formal clothes in suiteases for two miles after. arriving at King's Cross from Lincoln.

Many daxi and minicab firms were refusing all bookings after City executives reserved transport to meetings weeks in advance. One firm offering lifts on motorcycles said that its fleet was fully booked from dawn and it was for planned strike days in September.

## Funeral for girl murdered on trip to France

SCHOOLMATES wept yesterday at a simple funeral service for Caroline Dickinson, the 13-year-old raped and mur-dered at a French youth hostel last week.

The town of Launceston in Cornwall was in mourning as family, friends and teachers crowded into the parish church to say farewell to the child killed during a week-long holiday in Brittany. Among the congregation were the 39 pupils and five teachers who went with Caroline on the

trip, including the four companions who slept in nearby beds as she was raped and suffocated in the hostel at Pleine Fougeres, near St Malo.

The church of St Mary Magdalene, where the funeral took place, is near Launceston College, where Caroline was a second-year pupil. Her parents, Susan and John Dickinson, and sister Jennifer, led the congregation. A French contingent included the Mayor and

Deputy Mayor of Pleine Fougeres and representatives from the hostel. Caroline's poem, My Cat - written when she was 10 - was read by Robert Bone, head teacher of Launceston Primary School.

The service was followed by a burial attended by family and close friends.

A 39-year-old vagrant has been charged

with Caroline's murder and rape. Patrice Pade will plead guilty to the charges at his



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## The taxman wants his slice of golf profits

By RICHARD DUCE

WELL-HEELED residents of Lytham St Annes can expect the unwanted attentions of the taxman after the recent golf Open Championship.

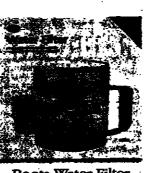
Many let their homes close to the Lancashire course for the duration of the ten-day competition for about £5,000. However, the dealings were monitored by a small team of Inland Revenue investigators who studied the small advertisements in newspapers and toured the streets surround-

ing the famous course. Some managed to get £300 for allowing their drives and garages to be used for park-ing while others set up food stalls or became evernight landladies by placing "Vacancies" signs in their windows. In all the Open was estimated to be worth £18 million to the

Tax officials always monitors economic activity surrounding big sporting events, such as Wimbledon, and an unscheduled tax return through the post is a fair indication that they are after a cut of any money made. In the last financial year the Inland Revenue recovered £88.7 miltion in such operations. Car boot sales are also monitored.

The Inland Revenue said yesterday: "If someone is sunply clearing out their garage as a one-off sale we wouldn't be interested, but if they are regularly trading then we are. If people have not been declaring tax, come to us and tell us about it. We don't want to frighten people, we will treat them fairly.





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# £150,000 fine for airline that put passengers at risk

ways was fined £150,000 plus £25,000 costs yesterday for "an act of crass negligence" which, but for the skill of a pilot, could have led to the crash of a Boeing 737 jet and the deaths

of 182 people.

Judge Daniel Rodwell was told that the jet left East Midlands airport bound for Lanzarote but was forced to make an emergency landing 13 minutes later because the airline's staff had failed to replace oil caps after a detailed inspection of the engines.

Luton Crown Court was told that, had it not been for the vigilance and skill of the pilot, Barney Reichman, who noticed the rapid oil loss, the aircraft would have crashed, with a very high probability

of killing the people on board. iritish Midland Airways admitted two charges of negligently endangering life under articles 50 and 51 of the 1989 Air Navigation Order. It was the first prosecution of a scheduled airline by the Civil

Aviation Authority.

Judge Rodwell said: "There were quite serious defects in the company's procedures. The public must have confidence that companies which run airlines take all proper

the safety of passengers." Ed-mund Lawson, QC, for the company, said immense damage had been caused to the company's reputation and this was real commercial damage. The company accepted it had been negligent, but there was no suggestion of recklessness,' he said.

Last night John Woolfe, deputy chairman and chief operations director of the airline, said that the judge's comments were very fair. We have done everything humanly possible to ensure that nothing like this can ever happen again:"

Two maintenance engineers who had failed to spot that caps on the oil sumps of each : engine had not been replaced were dismissed and the airline has now drastically changed its maintenance procedures. One of the unnamed engineers is still working on jet aircraft for another airline.

Hours earlier a report by the Department of Transport's air accident investigation branch said that the incident, and two others involving faulty maintenance within the past three years on other. airlines, cast "doubt upon the adequacy of the organisation and infrastructure which has and necessary steps to ensure developed to support aircraft

maintenance". It said that the work on the British Midland jet was carried out when many engineers were on holiday or off sick All three incidents took place at night "when judgment is generally likely to be impaired... "The foundations of most of

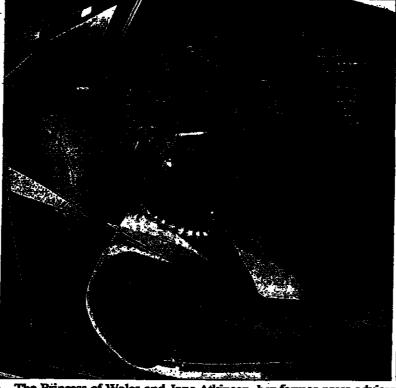
the current practices employed in aircraft maintenance were laid when the aircraft, operating and commercial environments were very different from today," it

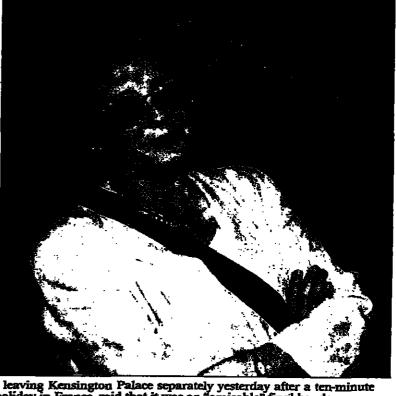
"These industry standards .. have all developed over time, but in these three events have been demonstrated to be

Fifteen safety recommenda-tions are made, most of them technical changes to the way maintenance is carried out and monitored, and ten of which are directed at the Civil Aviation Authority which brought the charges against British Midland.

After the case Captain Reichman said it was a pilot's job to cope with the unexpected. "We have to anticipate the worst case scenario. We are not just up there to press a button and trust in the wonders of modern technology. We have to be ready for this kind of eventuality."

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The Princess of Wales and Jane Atkinson, her former press adviser, leaving Kensington Palace separately yesterday after a ten-minute meeting. Ms Atkinson, who resigned while the Princess was on holiday in France, said that it was an "amicable" final handover

## Fundraiser is less than charitable about Duchess

BY DOMINIC KENNEDY

THE Duchess of York is forever late and disorganised - but impressive at raising money for good causes, according to a colleague in a leading charity. Dominic Prince, a prominent member of the Motor Neurone Discase Association, says in The Spectator that her behaviour made committee stalwarts grit their teeth.

Mr Prince writes: "She is always at least half-an-hour late for meetings, complains to me about tabloid journalists and is hopelessly disorganised,

so that nothing we decide gets followed up. At our last meeting she invited her bank manager and kept cracking jokes about her overdraft, which was then still a secret. If she occasionally makes us grit our teeth. then so be it. There is a trade-off between income and the royal desire to be fêted and revered."

Mr Prince, a financial journalist. was invited by the Duchess to sit on the Corporate Advisory Council of the charity which his father helped to found. "On the positive side, she got people like Robert Stigwood, the

Hollywood producer, to cough up a good deal of much-needed loot. I watched her do it, and very impressive it was. She promised that her then-estranged husband would attend a golf tournament and got pledges on the spot. Last year she was responsible

"After one of her more disagreeable encounters with the newspapers, she tendered her resignation to the charity. There were some who thought she

for raising £200,000 of the £2 million

income. Its income was £2,000 when

but there were others with more

The Duchess is patron to sever charities. Yesterday her New York publicist, Howard J. Ruberstein, said: Despite the false and negative image in this story, the Duchess will not be deterred from her important work on behalf of children and those in need."

The Motor Neurone Disease Association said: "The Duchess of York has provided much-appreciated support to people with motor neurone disease and contributed enormously to the was a no-good trollop and should go, success of fundraising activities.

# **Imran withdraws** tampering claim against Botham

By Tim Jones

IMRAN KHAN made a dramatic climbdown yesterday when he withdrew his defence that his allegations of balltampering against Ian Botham were justified, and offered the former England c sket captain a public apology.

Imran withdrew his claims against Botham after the court was told by a string of witnesses, including the former England captains Brian Close and David Gower, and the current captain, Mike Atherton, that they had never seen him treat the ball in a way they would

regard as cheating.
Imran had relied for his claim on television footage of the 1982 Test match against Pakistan which showed him pushing the ball with his fingers. Charles Gray, QC, for Botham, said: "You accused him of illegally tampering with the ball by using his thumbnails to pick the seam and scratching it, and by throwing the ball so it could be scuffed. Do you realise Mr Botham regards these allegarions as extremely serious?" IMRAN: "Cheating is serious,

yes, sir." GRAY: "Now you have heard the explanation are you prepared to apologise for the fact that the allegation was made in court and persisted with for

nine days?" IMRAN: "Yes sir. If Mr Botham says he was squeezing the ball, I will accept it." GRAY: "The allegations of cheating have received the widest publicity and yet are

aly being withdrawn now."

IMRAN: "At no stage have I

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ever called Mr Botham a cheat. It is technically balltampering. I have never regarded it as cheating."

Asked by Mr Carman to describe his feelings at stand-ing before a libel jury, Imran said: "It has caused a lot of pain. Apart from the unhappiness and the time it has taken it has produced tension at a time when my wife, is

pregnant. I made every effort to settle the case short of humiliating myself, but I realised that Botham and Lamb didn't want to settle. They wanted

me to be humiliated." Imran said he knew Lamb and Botham were not racists and he had never called them that. However, he said, he was aware of racism in British society and said Asian cricketers, particularly in the North, had suffered from it.

Before yesterday's hearing ended imran was passed a bottle top by Mr Gray, who asked him to demonstrate how he had used a similar one to tamper with a ball.

Botham and Lamb are suing Imran over "an offensive personal attack" on them in., India Today magazine which they say called them racist, uneducated and lacking class and upbringing. Botham alone is suing over a report in The Sun which he says accused him of ball-tampering. Imran, who denies libel, says his words were taken out of context and he was only trying to defend himself. The hearing

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Dog the iguana is returned by long arm of the law

## Joy as dog meets Dog

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lan Kirkbride had given up hipe of ever again secing his iguana, called Dog. However, it was spotted by a police dog that was being trained by Sergeant Danny Shaw and PC Kenny Cruikshank in the grounds of a vicarage at dog froze on seeing some-thing in the long grass and the officers, on closer inspection, found the 4ft iguana. Mr Kirkbride said: "He got frightened by a couple of real dogs and ran off. I've been scarching high and low for him and was starting to fear he might be dead. I don't

normally keep him in a lot;

but I will in future."

# Suez anniversary: how Nasser's seizure of canal 40 years ago led to invasion that divided the West

# Eden's fatal gamble hastened the end of Empire



Eden: his connivance with

Abdel Nasser, the newly elected President of Egypt - he was the sole candidate - announced the nationalisation of the Suez Canal Company to ecstatic crowds in Manshiya Square in Alexandria.

His action provoked a crisis that lasted for more than three months: destroyed Britain's Prime Minister, bitterly divided its people and all but bankrupted its Exchequer; estranged it from its closest allies; ended any hopes of peaceful coexistence between Israel and its Arab neighbours; set in train the dismemberment of the Empire; and brought the world close to

The canal had been opened in 1869 and, although Britain was a minority shareholder in the operating company, which had its head-quarters in Paris, it was by far the

largest user. It was guarded by no fewer than 80,000 troops. But after a Conservative Government returned to power in 1951, the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, reluctantly acknowledged that the garrison was no longer sustainable and dispatched his Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, to Cairo to negotiate a settlement. An amicable

Canal Zone on June 13, 1956. There was at that point no reason for Nasser to proceed with nationalisation. The canal company's lease was due to expire 12 years later when the whole complex would be restored to Egyptian sovereignty.

agreement was reached and the

last British troops duly left the

But Nasser was regarded by the West with suspicion. To the United States he represented the principal

project but, alarmed by Nasser's perceived flirtation with the Rus-

Reports by John Young

American Jewish lobby succeeded in portraying Nasser as a fanatic. The French still had their north African colonies, most notably Algeria, and believed Nasser to be the principal supplier of arms to the Algerian rebels.

The arms by 1956 were largely coming from the Soviet Union. which had stepped in to fill the gap left by Britain and the United States. To the Cold War hardliners, in particular John Foster Dulles. the American Secretary of State, it was proof that Egypt was ready to onen the door to a communist akeover of the Middle East. Matters were brought to a head

by the Aswan High Dam project on the Nile. Britain and the United States had originally supported the

sians, Eden and Dulles changed their tune. They informed Egypt on July 19, 1956, that neither country

would continue to do so.
On September 10 Dulles proposed the creation of a Suez Canal Users' Association, pledged to safeguard the passage of the 800,000 barrels of Middle East oil a day needed by western Europe. On October 22 the French and Israeli leaders met in great secrecy at Sèvres, outside Paris, where they were joined by Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, and Patrick Dean, chairman of the joint intelligence committee set up to undermine Nasser. It was there that the final plot was hatched: that Israeli forces should move through Sinai to occupy the Canal, and that British and French troops should subsequently intervene on the pre-

text of keeping the peace.
On October 30 the Israeli Army advanced on Sinai and paramoops dropped to within 25 miles of the canal. The following day Britain and France issued an ultimatum to Egypt which expired at midnight. Egyptian airfields were heavily bombed and aircraft destroyed.

An appalled Eisenhower was reported to have exclaimed: Bombs, by God. What does Anthony think he's doing? Why is he doing this to me? We have to stop them fast."

The United Nations General Assembly was hastily convened on November 4 and accepted a proposal by Lester Pearson, the Cana-dian Foreign Minister, to send in an international peacekeeping force, the first of its kind. While huge crowds demonstrated in Trafalgar Square against the invasion. British and French paratmons landed in the Canal Zone. Seaborne forces landed nevi day.

Within 24 hours they were forced into a ceasefire. Eden talked bleakly of a divided country, ministerial resignations and pressures from the United States, Britain's gold and dollar reserves were almost exhausted. "We can't go on." Eden told a furious Guy Mollet, the

French Prime Minister. Egypt could now bask in world sympathy and new offers of friendship. For the Empire it was the beginning of the end - but not quite. With a certain irony, among the first UN troops to arrive on their peacekeeping mission were the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.

# Career sacrificed by the minister who refused to lie

1956, Anthony Nutting, Minister of State at the Foreign Office and a protege of the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, resigned his post. His letter said that he could not defend the Government's position in Parliament or at the United Nations.

Shortly afterwards, faced with the fury of his local party at Melton, Leicestershire, which accused him of betrayal, he resigned from Parliament too. A political career of the highest promise was

Eleven years later Sir Anthony Nutting told his story in his book No End of a Lesson. At the time of his resignation he had decided that it was impossible to make a personal statement in Parliament because that would have betrayed the Government's

He says now: "I waited until everyone who had told lies was out of office and, in most cases, out of politics. I am probably the only minister ever to have resigned on a fateful meeting at Chequers on



Nutting today: sad

matter of principle without making a statement. I made several drafts, but in the end I decided I couldn't tell the Commons what had really

happened." Today, aged 76, tall and courteous, he divides his time between his house in west London and a farm in northern Scotland. He is, he muses, the last survivor of the small group of ministers who were privy to the Suez plot: "Anthony [Eden], Selwyn [Lloyd], Harold [Macmillan], Rab [Butler]: they're all dead.

Nutting was present at the

THE TIMETABLE

August 8: Eden broadcasts to the nation that Nasser cannot

August 29: British and French troops sail for Cyprus. October 22: British and French meet the Israelis in secret

near Paris.
October 29: Israel invades Egypt.
October 30: Britain and France threaten to invade unless

November 5: United Nations votes for peacekeeping force.

November 6: British and French paratroops seize control of

November 21: British hand over to UN and start withdrawal.

Israel and Egypt withdraw from Canal Zone.

October 31: British planes bomb Port Said and Cairo.

July 26: Nasser nationalises the Suez Canal

Canal Zone. November 8: UN imposes ceasefire.

October 14, 1956, between Eden, Albert Gazier, deputising for the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Maurice Challe, France's Deputy Chief of Staff. "It became obvious that the French and the Israelis had been in cahoots for some time.

Anthony sensed that they had something very important to say. Guy Millard from the Foreign Office was taking a note, as any good diplomat should. Eden told him to put his pen down.

They came clean. What would we say if the Israelis were to attack Egypt and we were to send in paratroops to protect the canal against this act of war? You could see Anthony's reaction. The whole climate changed. This was the opportunity he had been wait-

From then on Nutting believed his position was untenable. "My problem was that I could not defend the policy because I was not prepared to tell lies to the House of Commons and to the UN. I went to see Walter Monckton later Lord Monckton of Brenchley, then recently resigned as Defence Secretary and serving in the Cabinet as Paymaster-General], who I knew was sympathetic to me and antithetic to the Government. Walter said to me: 'You are the deputy Foreign Secretary, and your job is to defend the Government's action. Can you do it? I said no. Then, in that case, you must go,' he

Nutting was shocked and outraged at Eden's collusion with France and Israel. "Anthony was almost, if not



Nasser was acclaimed in Cairo after nationalising the canal 40 years ago today

completely, as Arabist as the Foreign Office. His sympa-Arabs rather than Israel." Indeed, in 1954, Eden had negotiated the British withdrawal from the canal base and had withstood the subsequent challenge from the Suez Group in the Commons, led by Julian Amery, who accused him of appeasement.

After agreement had been reached on troop withdrawals, Nutting was asked by Eden to stay on in Cairo and talk to Nasser. "He told me to ask him what he really wanted and to find out what made him tick. Nasser said to me, 'I will give you a shopping list of al from command of the Arab arms, and we can take it from Legion in Jordan early in 1956 there.' But all we did was had been inspired by Nasser. supply him with some clapped-out old bombers.

It was Nasser's refusal to supply a casus belli that increasingly frustrated Eden. "Anthony had had a bad winter. He was very hurt by an article in the Telegraph which accused him of vacillation. He was compared unfavourably with Churchill, and he wanted a war so as to assume Winston's mantle. But it just didn't fit."

Eden had earlier been quick to assume that General Sir John Glubb's abrupt dismiss-

"I spent many a night trying to convince him that Nasser had nothing to with it." Nutting

He kept screaming at me that I was in love with Nasser and couldn't seen any fault in him. I left almost in despair. From then on it was no good appealing to him as the great diplomatist. He wanted to be Churchill with a moustache."

How does Nutting feel 40 ears on? "Sad, of course. But, as Walter Monckton said, you must do as your conscience

# 'Place yourself under arrest and go to the Tower's

IN SEPTEMBER 1956 the turned from Suez Holroyd author Michael Holroyd was on leave after completing his National Service officer training at Eaton Hall, Cheshire. He had been commissioned into The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, although his basic training had been with The Royal Green Jackets in

One evening in the cinema he saw a newsreel of the Fusiliers embarking in a troopship. "I thought to myself. That's funny. Something must be wrong, but what should I do? So feigning innocence, I rang the regi-mental HQ the next morning to inquire about changing the

buttons on my uniform.
"What the hell do you think you're doing? was the reply. Why are you still here? Put yourself under arrest and escort yourself to the Tower of London.'

"I was summoned by two senior officers who demanded to know why I had disobeyed a summons to report for active service. I replied that I never received the message but they didn't believe me. I spent the night in the Napoleon Room in the Tower.

The next day a telegram was found which, in the confusion of the moment, the adjutant had addressed to himself. But that didn't stop them being very angry with me for not checking whether I should report for duty.

"I was sent to Connaught Barracks in Dover, which the regiment had left by then and which was now full of refugees from the Russian invasion of Hungary. Among my duties were to distribute condoms and light bulbs. It was the oddest thing that has ever happened to me." When the battalion re-

was given the task of organising the welcome ceremony, but admits that it all fell rather flat. The mood in the country was divided and dispirited. The weather was wet and windy and only a few people turned out.

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There were seven or eight men wounded, all curiously in the back," he recalls, "It was nothing to do with running away. It seemed that the troops in the frontline trenches got so bored that they occasionally got up to stretch and some over-zealous and frightened chap in the rear would open fire, thinking the enemy was coming. So they were all friendly-fire casualties.

Towards the end of his service Holroyd was given the "eiddy rank" of acting unpaid captain and the task of dealing with redundancies among regular officers. "It was given some optimistic name like 'streamlining', but it really was the start of the decline of the old British Army." ☐ Michael Holroyd is the

author of several literar biographies including one of George Bernard Shaw



Holroyd: he missed the troopship for Suez

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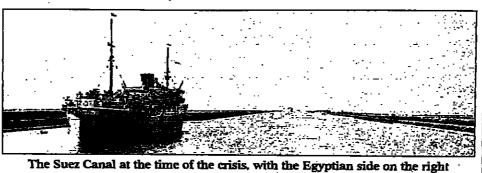


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# All need not have been lost, says opponent of pull-out

IN THE months leading up to the Suez crisis Julian Amery, a 37-year-old backbencher, became the de facto organiser of what came to be known as the Suez Group, a small but vociferous group of Tories who bitterly opposed the "sell-out" of the great military base in the Canal

Able, articulate and wellconnected (he was Harold Macmillan's son-in-law, he went on to hold ministerial posts in various Conservative Governments. Baron Amery of Lustleigh, as he is now titled, recalls the momentous events of 40 years ago with a

of Anthony Nutting, who described the Suez Group as "malignant", Amery said: "I never quite understood him. I don't see why he should have resigned. Nasser was destroying everything he wanted. and we all felt that Nasser had to go. Yes, of course Nasser was popular, but if he was doing something totally contrary to our interests, why should we worry if he was a

popular demagogue?
"I think it would be a great mistake to assume that the Arab world was entirely be-hind Nasser," he argues. "I had several talks with Nuri [General Nuri Es-Sa'id, the



not all behind Nasser

pro-British Prime Minister of lraq, who was assassinated in a coup in 1958], who said we must defeat Nasser. The same was true of Turkey and Iran.

"Apart from Nuri, the Hashemites |Jordan and Iraq| weren't all that keen. In fact most of the Arab countries were very uncertain about Nasser. Once the operation went wrong, they took a stance. But before that they hesitated to see which way it wouid go."

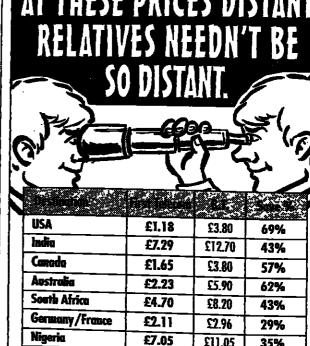
Amery says his convictions at the time dated from an earlier stage in Conservative thinking. "The Tory party was bonded to the concept of a united and peaceful Com-monwealth. The idea of pull-

the abandonment of that united Commonwealth. We'd given up Palestine, but the Canal Zone was the hub of our imperial power." But surely there was oppo-

sition to the Suez adventure from within the Commonwealth itself? "No, not really, not in their hearts. Australia, New Zealand and South Africa were all on our side, as was Rhodesia, for what it was worth in those days. Canada on the whole sided with the United States, which I found

mildly surprising.
"I have little doubt myself that, if we had gone on through the Canal Zone, the Government in Cairo would have made way for a coalition, which would have said 'Please don't come into Cairo Let us have a conference to produce a new Canal agree ment.' With the moderate elements, we could have started to rebuild the old Anglo-Egyptian accord."

Some months after hostilities ceased Amery went to visit Nasser in Cairo and was received hospitably and without bitterness. "When we parted, he said, 'If you had been Egyptian, you would have been on my side. I think. if I had been British, I would have been on yours."



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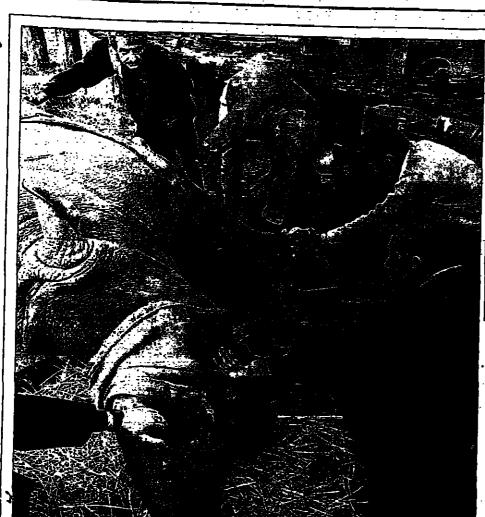
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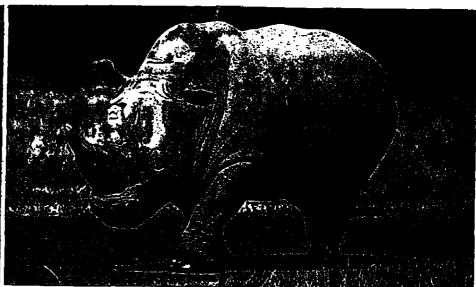
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The rhino lies anaesthetised, left, while the steel plate is fitted to its hoof. After the operation it walked away, safe but groggy

# Pedicure helps rhino keep toehold on life

EXPERTS made a house call yesterday to perform an emergency pedicure. Their 28-year-old client was suffering from a cracked toenail. As she was a female white rhinoceros weighing four tonnes, the equipment included a heavy-duty crane and an artificial nail made of stainless steel. essary to save the life of Maggot, one of an endangered species, which has

1972. An infection in the nail was in danger of travelling further up the leg and becoming untreatable. In the wild, hard-baked earth would keep the nail trim, but the softer and wetter conditions in Britain allowed it to grow and soften.

Maggot was anaesthetised while two veterinary surgeons who specialise in treating exotic animals and one of the country's leading farriers cleaned out the infected crack

with a plate. A crane capable of lifting 25 tonnes was on standby in case the rhino fell the wrong way. Afterwards Maggot staggered up and groggily walked off, to the relief of the team. Nick Whiting, Maggor's keeper for Stuart Elliot, one of the vets, said: 'Anacsthetising a creature as hig as a

cut off circulation, causing heart Slim Symons, who teaches at the

rhino is very risky. The animal's body

weight can crush internal organs and

Hereford School of Farriery, said: "J am 90 per cent happy with the work. Time will tell. I would be 100 per cent if it was a horse, but I've never done a

the past 13 years, added: "I am so relieved. I could not sleep worrying about her because there is always a big risk of knocking out large animals like this. She is a smashir natured animal; I knew she would

# **Best maths** teaching 'is made in Taiwan'

By David Charter, education correspondent

Taiwan for lessons in reversing the decline in ability at mathematics among British pupils, school inspectors said yesterday.

Primary schools should try holding back low-achievers for a year and setting more tests and homework to ensure hat all children progressed at a similar pace, said a report on international achievement by Ofsted, the school inspection agency.

cific Rim countries could revitalise mathematics teaching in the same way that Japanese methods helped to save the British car industry, said David Reynolds, co-author of the report, Worlds

The report also said that the most successful European countries, including Germany and Switzerland, used more teaching of whole classes of mixed ability at primary level and, like Taiwan, selection at secondary schools.

A series of surveys showed British pupils falling further behind most of the developed world in mathematics from the 1960s to the 1990s.

Research to be published this year and disclosed earlier this month in The Times showed that six years ago English 13-year-olds were 3 per cent above the world average in mathematics. They have fallen to 3 per cent below, answering 53 per cent of with 79 per cent in first-placed

Singapore.
Professor Reynolds, from
Newcastle University, said:
The situation is so worrying
that the risk involved in look-

TEACHERS should look to ing outward and trying new

practices is worth taking. "There is a large range of achievement in the UK and, although our top end is up there with other countries, we have a huge long tail which many people have said is the British educational

This tail could be shortened by promoting high-achievers to the year ahead or holding back under-achievers. In Taiwanese primary schools, the children, who are expected to keep up, and the best pupils help to tutor classmates when they have finished their work. Regular testing is used to diagnose problems early and children who have fallen behind catch up at break times and after school.

Professor Reynolds said: "Teachers should realise you can get all children over a hurdle and you do not have to distribute them across a range which has been the historic

British practice." Chris Woodhead, the Chief Inspector of Schools, said the report was not intended as "teacher-bashing". He added: "This is an attempt to contribute positively to the debate about standards and how they can be raised. We hope there won't be a head-in-the-sand reaction."

The Government's lates education White Paper will make it easier for schools to introduce partial selection. Professor Reynolds said that, conversely. Taiwan was about to begin experimenting with comprehensive secondary schools.

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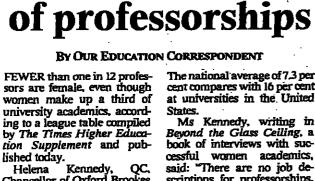
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Helena Kennedy, QC,
Chancellor of Oxford Brookes
University, said that the figures exposed the sharneful
myth that higher education
was a world of equal opportuwas a world of equal opportu-nity. Oxford Brookes came second in the league table, believed to be the first such survey. The university's 12 women professors make up 26.1 per cent of its total.

Top of the table was South Bank University in London, with 32.6 per cent. The highest pre-1992 university. King's College London, came third on 17.1 per cent.

Caford recently appointed 162 professors, of whom 18 were women. It was placed 38th in the league with 5.7 per cent of professorships held by women. Cambridge was in-41st place with 5.5 per cent.

cent compares with 16 per cent at universities in the United

Ms Kennedy, writing in Beyond the Glass Ceiling, a book of interviews with successful women academics, said: There are no job descriptions for professorships, no personnel specifications, no stipulated criteria against which to assess the fitness of the appointee to the post. Accordingly there are no checks against inadvertently biased choices."

Ms Kennedy said that the appointment system had to become as open as the public sector to ensure less discrimin-

A professor at a Welsh higher education college was suspended yesterday over claims that foreign students' degrees were favoured by lenient marking.

Professor Hywel Rees said that he would defend his position after the move by governors at the Swansea Institute of Higher Education.



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# Scientists use grey matter to give hope to paralysis victims

A BREAKTHROUGH in spinal injury research has been restored movement to the legs of paralysed animals.

The achievement is being hailed a milestone in the quest to find a treatment for people such as Christopher Reeve, the Superman actor, who was paralysed in a horse-riding accident. Some 40,000 people in Britain have spinal damage from accident or disease.

The pioneering research, oublished in Science, is by a team at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden. The technique hinges on a new way of re-routing severed in the spinal cord travel up and down in the outer layer of the cord in the white matter. Previous attempts to reconnect broken nerve fibres directly have failed, and scientists found that the white matter secretes a protein that inhibits

Cancer specialists from the Royal Marsden and St Bartholomew's hospitals in London have challenged promising research findings for marimastat, an anti-cancer drug that has already triggered a stock market boom for its maker, British Biotech. They say in The Lancet that the company has misinterpreted initial clinical trials, which were not based on sound

growth. The Karolinska team have overcome this by linking broken fibres into the central area of grey matter, by-passing the inhibiting protein.

Up to 18 nerve fibres, taken from elsewhere in the body and measuring about half a millimetre in diameter, are used to make the links between the severed nerve

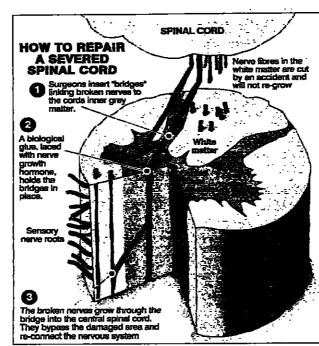
endings and the grev matter. A substance called fibrin glue, similar to the material that causes blood to clot, is

hold the bridges between the severed nerve fibres and the grey matter in place. The glue also contains large amounts of a natural chemical that boosts nerve cell growth.

The scientists have found that within days the broken nerve fibres invade the "bridge" and grow into the central spinal cord. Exactly where the new, growing fibres go and how they connect to nerves controlling the leg muscles is uncertain.

So far 22 rats given the new treatment have regained partial movement of their hind legs, whereas rats given only part of the treatment failed to

gain any movement. Professor Wise Young, from the New York University Medical Center, said: "People should not be rushing to their doctors just yet ... the treatment is not ready. But this is a breakthrough. The scientists have demonstrated something that was thought to be impossible." He said the research made it possible that a treat-





The technique that may help those who have been paralysed by spinal injury, such as Christopher Reeve, left

ment for people with severe spinal injuries might be available in a decade.

He added that other exciting implications, which held hope for human spinal injury vic-tims, had emerged. "The nerves were not guided to the grey matter, they found their way to the target on their own. This is very hopeful. It shows that the task of regenerating the spinal cord may be easier than many of us thought."

Professor Young said. British charities welcomed the findings but urged patients to treat them with Although not all of the

the grey matter, all the treated

rats showed some recovery. "It

shows you do not need to

regenerate everything to get

back function back. If we have

to regenerate the whole spinal

cord, we will not succeed in our lifetime. But it could be

that we need only to get 5 to 10

per cent of the nerves back."

caution. Martina Crowley of severed fibres grew back into the Association for Spinal Injury Research, Rehabilitation and Reintegration (Aspire) said yesterday that if the research proves successful it might work only on new spinal injuries, not ones from a few years ago.
"This kind of research is

very positive and we all get terribly excited, but it can cause a lot of distress," said Ms Crowley, who is based at the London spinal unit of the

Royal National Orthopaediac Hospital. Stephen Bradshaw of the Spinal Injuries Association said that it appeared to be another "excellent step forward but must not be trumpeted too much".

He feared that the relatives of spinal injury victims might rush out and raise money for an operation that was still probably a long way off. The could be better spent on "liv-

Magnetic pulses to brain lift depression

By JEREMY LAURANCE

DOCTORS believe they may nave found a new treatment for depression. using magnets. By applying rapid magnetic pulses to the brains of severely depressed pa-tients, researchers succeeded in significantly improving the mood of half of them.

The group of 17 patients were candidates for electroconvolsive therapy (ECT), the shock treatment for severe depression used as a last resort. A magnetic coil shaped like a figure of eight was placed on the scalp in one of three positions. Magnetic pulses were directed at specific areas of the brain in ten-second bursts. Patients received 20 bursts. separated by one minute pauses, each day for five days.

The findings, published in The Lancet, show that nine of the 17 patients reported pronounced improvement in mood after stimulation of the region of the brain associated with depression. However, the benefit was shortlived. tapering off after 14 days.

# **Top-quality fish** come on stream **WEEKEND SHOPPING**

JULY is a good month for fish: quality improves outside the spawning season (Diana Thorp writes). The mild-cured Manx kipper, available only in June and July, makes an excellent breakfast. Wild salmon, believed by many to be superior to its farmed cousin, is delicious now. Average prices per lb include Dover sole £9, plaice £2, wild salmon £4, sea trout £3. Promotions include:

Asda: "healthy choice" pork range reduced by 50p kg. fresh beef rump steak £7.99 kg, cherry tomatoes 49p 227g. oranges 99p 10-pack, banana and toffee ice-cream cones 99p

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sages 79p 454g, rindless Durch back bacon unsmoked £3.39, smoked £3.49 600g, medium avocados 29p each. white seedless grapes 99p lb. red plums 66p lb. Sainsbury's: fresh rump steak

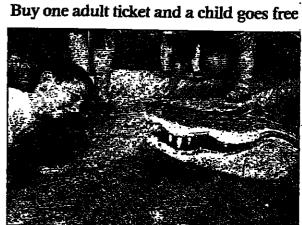
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lamb £5.89, rainbow trout fillets 3-6oz £2.99 lb. new potatoes 9p lb, tiramisu £1.49, strawberries 99p 227g.

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of the favourite attractions is nearly rubbing noses with an alligator, from the safety of protective glass.

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# RAF equipment orders will create thousands of jobs

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

THE three equipment orders for the RAF announced yesterday will create thousands of iobs and provide it with new generation precision weapon

Magnetic pulses to brain lift depression

After weeks of Cabinet in-fighting during which it looked as if the orders, worth nearly £4 billion, might be delayed until the autumn, Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, emerged from a Cabinet meeting to announce that British companies had been awarded all three contracts in preference to strong American rivals.

The biggest order was for 21 Nimrod 2000 maritime patrol aircraft, worth about £2 bil-lion, which will be made by British Aerospace in partner-ship with about 200 other companies, including Rolls-Royce, GEC, Racal, Smiths Industries, Short Brothers of Belfast and the American com-

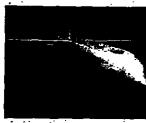
pany Boeing. Nimrod 2000 will be a refurbished version of the present Nimrod with new wings and new mission systems. The main rival to Nimrod was the American Orion 2000, a new version of the Orion P3. built by Lockheed

Ministry of Defence officials

said the Nimrod order would sustain 2,600 jobs. However, British Aerospace claimed 10,000 direct and indirect jobs would be either created or sustained, including 5,300 in the North, 850 in the Midlands, 2,250 in the South, 500 in Scotland, 1,200 in Wales

and 200 in Northern Ireland, The Nimrod 2000, which will be capable of long-range, long-lasting anti-submarine patrols as well as search and rescue operations, is due to come into service in 2002.

One of the key last-minute developments that wrapped up the contract for British Aerospace was the decision to include GEC as one of the principal partners. GEC was already due to play a minor role in supplying some of the equipment for Nimrod 2000, such as the towed radar decoy



Storm Shadow: cruise

However, GEC's main involvement in the maritime patrol aircraft contract was patrol aircraft contract was with the rival Orion 2000.

Last week manisters mid. British Aerospate that GEC must be given a bigger role, and after franks meetings it was agreed that SEC should. team with Boeing in develo

ing the mission system. MoD officials acknowledged yester-day that details of this new partnership had still to be worked out and the contract for the Nimrod order is not expected to be finalised until later this year. The bigger involvement of GEC in the Nimrod offer

finally sunk the rival Lockheed Martin/GEC Marconi proposal. Lockheed sought a 90-day postponement so that it could produce a lower bid but the MoD refused. The two other orders are for

a conventionally armed standoff missile (Casom), worth £800 million, and an antiarmour weapon system, worth £700 million. Both will be carried by the RAF's Tornados, Harriers and the next generation combat aircraft, the Eurofighter 2000.



The Nimrod 2000: British Aerospace will build 21 of the maritime patrol aircraft, creating or sustaining up to 10,000 jobs throughout the country

stead of the American one, although: as MoD officials said, all the bids were "international", with each one having overseas companies partnered with British firms.

The Casom order was awarded to British Aerospace Dynamics, which is partnered with the French company Matra: Their missile, Storm Shadow, is a development of Matra's Apache system.

For British Aerospace it was vital to win the Casom contract because it plans to merge its missile business with Matra and the success of this would have been undermined had Mr Portillo chosen an American missile. President Chirac of France has been promoting the Storm Shadow bid - most recently, it is Again; Mr Portillo chose the alleged, in a phone call to John British/European option in Major — as a strong supporter

Aerospace/Matra merger. Storm Shadow will provide the RAF with a cruise missile system which will be launched 200-300 miles from the target and be capable of destroying a hardened bunker. The need for such a weapon was one of the main lessons learnt from the Gulf War. The develop-ment of Storm Shadow, which

Scotland and England. The anti-armour weapon will be the Brimstone system developed by GEC Marconi Dynamics and based on the American Hellfire weapon. Brimstone will also be in service by 2001 and the contract will sustain about 700 jobs throughout the country.

will be in service in 2001, will

create at least 1,600 jobs in

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# BAe suppliers are jubilant

By Oliver August

THE "ripple down" effect of the RAF equipment orders will benefit entire communities surrounding defence

British Aerospace in Warton, where parts of the Nimrod aircraft will be built, is a perfect example. Defence contractors at the Consortium of Lancashire Aerospace, which comprises 100 local BAe suppliers, were in a

jubilant mood yesterday. One of its members, Steve Hollis, the managing director of Cleveland-Guest, was confident that the contracts awarded to BAe will swell

county, which is one of Brited across Britain. The Tory ain's major aerospace MP Phil Gallie, in whose Ayr constitutency BAe-Prestwick "It's a feature of the aerois located, said that yesterspace industry that it has so many sub-tiers," he said. "We day's announcement good news not only for work-

nately we didn't get it but we are glad about the BAe contract because as suppliers it will benefit us indirectly." Once Mr Hollis has exchanged contracts with BAe for the Nimrod project, he will sub-contract the painting and surface work on his

machines, creating yet more

were part of a bid team for

one of the missiles. Unfortu-

But Chris Tolago of Racal, which will build the radar for Nimrod 2000, gave warning that the job creation would not be instantaneous. The negotiations with suppliers haven't started yet because the guys who won the contract have been in the pub since the MoD made the

ers at the facility but also for

many small businesses in

# Portillo can celebrate — his successor will pick up the bill

ichael Portillo was entitled to look delighted outside 10 Downing Street yesterday as he announced three big defence orders. Thanks to Michael Heseltine and the pressures of pre-election politics, he was able to see off the Treasury's desire to delay the announcement of the orders. Hence, he was able to please the Armed Forces, the sizeable defence lobby on the Tory benches, and the arms procurement industry. But Mr Portilio will not be Defence Secretary when the bills have to be paid and the

contradictions between defence

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commitments and resources have to be sorted out.

The story is not nearly as simple as it appears. What was not said is as significant as what was said. The key, as always, is money, Going back over a century, the Treasury has always argued that that savings can be found from the defence budget. Since the end of the Cold War, it has kept up the pressure on the Ministry of Defence, as reflected in the Options for Change exercise and the commitment to switch resources from support to combat activities in Front Line First. Last November, defence

spending was cut by £500 million below previous plans for this financial year and by £400 million for next year. This has already

produced serious strains, particularly as a result of the Bosnia commitment, even after taking account of the controversial sale of married quarters. The Defence Committee warned in its report on the estimates on Wednesday against any burther reductions.

budget and has therefore been very wary of deciding on new orders. . Kenneth Clarke wanted the orders to be considered as part of the annual Cabinet review of spending plans so that no announcements should be made now. Mr Portillo argued for an early decisions for defence and industrial reasons in

particular, file announcement now of the order of Storm Shadow missiles should cement the recently announced merger of the missile businesses of British Aeropsace and Matra of France. In an The Treasury has been keen to uncarry echo of the arguments

take another look at the defence- over a European or American future for Westland helicopters in early 1986, Mr Heseltine seems to have been particularly influenced by the case that announcing the orders now could assist the restructuring of the European arms industry. His intervention late on

Wednesday forced Mis Clarke to accept that the orders would have to be made now, rather than later. However, Mr Portillo has not won the increase in his budget that he wanted to finance the orders. Indeed, the Treasury insists that the Cabinet has accepted that the Cabinet has accepted that defence spending should be no

higher for the next few years than was announced in last November's Budget. In that sense, yesterday's announcement is a battle deferred. Of course, relatively little will be spent on the orders in the short term and the cost will be stretched out over several years. But, as the Defence Committee made clear, there is already no room for manoeuvre in the defence budget.

What the Government has done, as so often in the past, is to announce big job-saving defence orders before an election and leave until later awkward questions of how they will be financed. Questions about how to reconcile Tory ambitions to "enhance the fighting strength of the Armed Forces" and to contain public spending have been deferred. Whoever is Defence Secretary in a year will have a hard time from the Treasury, whoever is Chancellor. David Clark, Shadow Defence Secretary, will be well aware how Gordon Brown further strengthened his control and power base in yesterday's Shadow Cabinet reshuffle. The defence world should celebrate while it can. It will not last.

PETER RIDDELL







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# Fact meets myth in French hunt for **Beast of Larzac**

From Ben Macintyre in Larzac

IN A scene straight out of French rural history, hundreds of men carrying staves. knives and guns assembled on a plateau in southern France this week to hunt a wolf, the most feared animal in the nation's folklore.

The Beast of Larzac, the wild and mountainous region in the Massif Central, has killed more than 60 sheep since May, spreading fear among the locals and reviving myths that are deeply embedded in the collective memory.

Some say there is not a lone wolf but a pack, others that the beast is a feral canine hybrid. Several of the grizzled farmers who gathered at the military base south of Millau this week reported seeing their quarry loping across the land or

hearing it howl at night.

Veterinary experts who examined dead sheep confirm that a wolf is to blame - either one that escaped from a nature park or an animal raised as a domestic pet and then released into the wild in a region which relies on sheep-



A European wolf

rearing to produce Roquefort

Wolves are officially extinct in France but this month, after repeated attempts to trap the animal failed, the Minister for the Environment granted a special dispensation to allow a full-scale wolf hunt for the first

time this century.
As Captain Philippe Durand of the gendarmerie marshalled his hunters early on Wednesday, the odds ap-peared to be heavily stacked against the beast. The wolf found a defender in Brigitte Bardot, the former actress and

animal welfare campaigner, who offered a El 300 reward if it was captured unharmed. But ranged against the animal were some 300 heavily armed farmers, policemen, soldiers, national guardsman, a team from the Government's Office of Hunting and a brace of

"Today's objectives are clear: at best we must capture the beast, at worst it must be destroyed," declared the cap-tain, resplendent in khaki battle dress and a blue képi. The Office of Hunting providspecial wolf-capturing equipment including a padded body-suit with gloves and mask, tranquilliser darts and

a lasso. Captain Durand's tactics were simple: to mount a sort of pheasant drive with teeth, in which beaters carrying staves would advance in formation through the undergrowth and try to force the wolf towards the line of waiting gunmen.

"This is a dangerous animal, but it will attack out of fear rather than aggression,"



French hunters on the plateau of Larzac, in the Massif Central, prepare to track down a wolf blamed for the death of more than 60 sheep

the captain told the beaters, mostly young soldiers wearing green fatigues and red T-shirts who did seem overly reassured by the advice as they plunged into the tangled

brush. Robert Calazel, a bearded. strapping figure who might have emerged from an 18thcentury woodcut depicting neasant life, has lost several sheep to the wolf of Larzac.

"This time we will get him," he observed grimly. That view was not borne out by ensuing events. A group of beaters went astray in the under-growth and nearly blundered into the firing line.

As the temperature on the plateau rose from hot to roasting, disputes erupted between the various services involved, and the captain wilted under his képi. Jokes about Mme Bardot became increasingly off-colour. The firemen sloped off for lunch. "Wolfhunting doesn't appear in the training manuals," muttered Under-Prefect Jean-Yves Chiaro, overseeing the

operation. A rumour went round that a "shot" had been fired. But this turned out to be a soldier whacking his stave against a tree. The wolf was spotted to

the south, before transforming into a wild boar. By nightfall, the hunters had slogged through some ten square miles of rocks and brush, without a single sighting of the predator. As they trudged back to their cars, one whiskered veteran remarked: "You have to have special eyesight to spot a wolf, sometimes it is just a shadow. They are the

Such thoughts are an atavistic throwback to a harsher time when man battled the wolf for survival through harsh winters and drought-

stricken summers. For centuries wolves, both real and imaginary, have run through the core of French rural mythology and, like the shadowy beast preying on the sheep of Larzac, they are running still.

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## £16m plan for tunnel to Paris fountains

BY BEN MACINTYRE

TWO French entrepreneurs have developed plans for a pedestrian tunnel under the Place de la Concorde in Paris as a showcase for art and fashion that would also enable visitors to appreciate the fountains in the middle of the traffic-choked square without danger to life and limb.

Ten million tourists visit the Concorde every year, but to get to the central island's obelisk and fountains — the main one was completed in 1840 - they must first run the gauntlet of motorists who tend to regard zebra crossings

merely as decoration.

The proposed tunnel, the brainchild of Eric Naon, an economist, and Marc Pauzié. an art historian, is part of a plan to restore decayed fountains, known as the "Fourtains of Seas and Rivers". To negotiate the surrounding sea of traffic, the tunnel would stretch 250 yards from the Tuileries gardens to the Champs-Elysées, with an exit next to the fountains.

Jean-Michel Wilmotte, an architect, has produced draft plans for a 30ft-wide tunnel which would double as a subterranean art museum and fashion gallery. The nearby museums holding exhibitions could also show paintings in the tunnel as an aperitif to the main attraction.

Building the tunnel would cost an estimated Fr120 million (El6 million). M Naon and M Pauzié say they hope to raise two thirds of the cash from private companies, in-cluding Paris fashion houses which could use the tunnel as an underground display case for haute couture.

André Ghonon, a spokesman for the Paris Mayor's office, told Liberation that the idea was innovative, adding: "It is one thing to say it and another to do it." Next week, a French com-

fate of Eurotunnel unless the Anglo-French operator of the Channel Tunnel can come to a refinancing agreement with its 225 banks over payments on a £8.4 billion debt. The Government and

mercial court will decide the

French businesses are understandably wary of committing themselves to building any more large tunnels at the

## Death at

## Ukraine reactor Kiev: Two accidents in three

hours have hit one of Ukraine's five nuclear power stations, killing a man, causing contamination and creating fresh worries about safety. ten years after the Chernobyl disaster.

Viktor Stovbun, a senior official at Ukraine's nuclear power authority, Derzhkomatom, said a worker died of burns and other injuries when a pipe carrying steam broke and struck him on Wednesday at the Khmelnitsky station, 180 miles west of Kiev.

Then, leaking water contaminated a nitrogen storage area. The second incident rated one on the zero-to-seven international scale of nuclear "events". The reactor is closed for maintenance. (Reuter)

## Refugees 'doped'

Madrid: Spain has deported 103 refugees, mainly Africans, and secretly used a sedative to make them easier to expel in a blatant disregard for human rights, Amnesty International claimed. (AP)

## Suspects held

Potsdam: Two more men were arrested in connection with the June 16 attack by suspected neo-Nazis on black Britons, the state attorney's office said. Another man was charged this week. (AP)

## Klaus wins vote

Prague: The Czech Republic's new minority Government. led by Vaclav Klaus, won a confidence vote in parliament. ending three weeks' uncertainty and allowing the coalition to launch legislation. (AFP)

## Spain pay freeze

Madrid: Government employees' wages will be frozen next year to help to reduce Spain's deficit and meet requirements for joining the European currency, an Economy Ministry official said. (AP)

## End of the line

Moscow: Passenger and freight trains on the Trans-Siberian railway. Russia's oldest and longest line, were halted when electricity was cut because of non-payment of £6 million in bills. (AFP)

## **Princess Caroline wins** £78,000 in libel case

FROM MICHAEL KALLENBACH

PRINCESS CAROLINE of Monaco won DM180,000 (E78,000) yesterday in a libel action against the German magazine Bunte. Princess Caroline had ap-pealed against a DM30,000

award by a lower court over an "interview" in Bunte which told of her "hate of the world and search for happiness". Bunte also printed a photograph of her, her son and a friend with the caption, "I have a family once again". Princess Caroline said the



Princess Caroline: took action against magazine

# 'Israel wants to get out of Lebanon provided we could guarantee the security'

# Netanyahu offers peace if Hezbollah gives up arms

Binyamin Netanyahu. Israel's right-wing Prime Minister, threw down a peace challenge to President Assad of Syria yestresident Assad of Syria yes-terday by offering to pull his occupying troops out of south-ern Lebanon in exchange for peace along the northern Is-raeli border, to be guaranteed by the disarming of Hezbollah (the Party of God)

(the Party of God).

The far-reaching plan, known as Lebanon First, was first outlined in an interview with The Times and later speli out privately to Dennis Ross, the US peace envoy, who was in Syria this week

Both countries have a vested interest in building confidence towards the ultimate resolution of the Syrian-Israeli dispute," Mr Netanyahu told me. "I think Lebanon is a good Aplace to start resolving that

He emphasised that rather than any specified period of calm in Galilee being necessary to persuade him to pull out the estimated 2,500 Israeli troops, assurance was vital that Hezbollah could no longer attack. "This is a matter not of declarations, but capabili-ties," he said. "Any settlement must remove the capability of Hezbollah, or at the very least disarm it, as all the other militias in Lebanon have been

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Sipping iced tea and brimming with assurance despite continued wrangling among religious parties inside his hardline coalition, Israel's youngest Prime Minister also disclosed plans for his first official trip to Europe, in September. The visit takes in France, Germany and probably Britain and Ireland in Ireland's term holding the presidency of the European Union. "Europe will have an important role in creating a different climate in the Middle East towards peace," he said.

Mr Netanyahu acknowiedged with a degree of satisfaction that, although his e Government had been in office barely 30 days, he had already confounded many of the sceptics who had "demonised" his position and stilled some of the panic-stricken reaction in the Arab world, which was convinced that his narrow



Israel's Prime Minister is in confident mood despite the bickering within his coalition. Christopher Walker reports from Jerusalem

defeat of Shirmon Peres, the Labour leader, would return

the region to conflict.

Every time I meet foreign leaders, they are sort of taken by surprise that I mean what I say. And once they understand that, they usually feel a sense of relicf that there is actually going to be genuine progress, albeit careful and guarded, which is what I was elected to do," the Likud leader said. "It is not a tactic, it is the substance of our position."

he 46-year-old Prime Minister described for the first time the importance of his meeting in Cairo last week with President Mubarak, whose warmth surprised even Egyptian officials. "It was important because it served to acquaint us with each other, and even more importantly it brought home the message that what we seek genuine progress based on reciprocity," he said. "And that reciprocity is not a trick to stall

Mr Netanyahu had harsh words for those on the Right, including senior members of his own party, who have criticised his decision this week to sanction the start of

progress, but a method to

ministerial-level talks with the Palestinian leader, Yassir Arafat, who met David Levy. the Foreign Minister, in Gaza on Tuesday.

"I find both on the Right and on the Left, there is this inability to take our words at face value," Mr Netanyahu complained. "It is assumed that always, somewhere, there is a trick. We were not elected to stop the peace process, we were elected to improve it: to negotiate better, to insist on security, to build a more solid framework of relationships than just empty declarations of peace that do not materialise themselves in

practical life. "We want a peace without buses exploding, and we mean that. We expect the Palestinian side to fulfil their obligations on security. They did not in the past, but I think there is a better chance they will do it

He acknowledged that mutual distrust between Israel and Syria was high and exac-erbated by his Government's refusal to abandon sovereignty over the occupied Golan Heights. He offered the Lebanon First initiative as an important step towards restoring the type of confidence



Netanyahu with wife Sara and son Yair, four

overall dispute.

It was bizarre, he argued

forcefully, that President Assad should want him to sit down to negotiate over Golan with the result of the talks already a foregone conclusion. The whole point of negotiations is about how to resolve competing views, and not to pre-determine the outcome.

"it remains to be seen whether Syria genuinely wants us to withdraw from Lebanon (where Syria has 40,000 occupying troops). If it does, I do not see a particular problem to facilitate it," Mr Netanyahu said, speaking of the Israeli-occupied buffer zone that has been in existence since 1985.

e added, in what diplomatic observers later described as an unexpected ray of hope in what had seemed a bleak future for any impending re-sumption of stalled Israeli-Syrian negotiations: "It is perfectly possible to arrive at an understanding [about occu-pied southern Lebanon]. Syria and Lebanon say they want Israel out of Lebanon. Israel wants to get out of Lebanon provided we could guarantee the security of our northern settlements."

Pressed on details of the scheme, which would be popular with an Israeli public anxious about the continuing loss of life among its young soldiers in Lebanon, Mr Netanyahu responded: "If the threat against our northern border were removed, we have absolutely no reason to be in Lebanon. We do not covet an inch of Lebanese territory, we do not have any aspirations regarding Lebanon, we have only one desire — that is, to safeguard our security."

Looking remarkably relaxed despite the early criticism heaped on him and more particularly his third wife Sara, by left-of-centre Israeli media. Mr Netanyahu spoke proudly of the skill with which his wife had so far performed public functions. He "Nannygate", which has al-ready subsided. It was noticeable that his otherwise austere



Binyamin Netanyahu: "Foreign leaders usually feel a sense of relief that there is going to be progress"

office was dominated by smiling family portraits.

They talked of a honey-moon period, 100 days of grace. I will settle for just one day," he joked, claiming - a fact confirmed by aides — that he remains thick-skinned as far as press comment goes.

"I glance at the papers myself. No one offers me a ested version," the Prime Minister said. "I would not be in this position if I took to heart everything that is said about me. I would have melted away long ago."

I left reflecting on the conclusion which was reached this week by one of the top columnists in Israel, Yoel Marcus, in Haaretz: "Not everyone knows Netanyahu, and no one knows what he is made of - but one thing is certain: he did not do what he did, did not win his victory, did not achieve his post, to blow his career and lead the

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## Leader rejects blame for assassination of Rabin

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER

reference to his attacks on

Rabin's peace policies while

in opposition.

FOR THE first time since taking office, Binyamin Netanyahu spoke passionate ly about Yitzhak Rabin, the Prime Minister gunned down by a right-wing extremist.

"Rabin's assassination was one of the great tragedies of modern Israel, and one that exposed a fault line that runs through our society," said Mr Netanyahu, who was elected to the premiership in May by

a narrow majority.

The crossing of that line was a tremendous trauma which was immediately and instinctively healed by the coalescing of all parts of

The Prime Minister, whose own personal security is now

probably more rigorous than Mr Netanyahu argued that the critics had failed dangerthat surrounding any world leader, passionately criticised ously to distinguish between those on the Left who had the views of the gunman, 25, tried to apportion blame for the killing on the Right as a whole, rather than on the and his "savage" actions on the night of November 4 last

mad, solitary figure" who This attempt to use the did the shooting. assassination to de-legitimise "The attempt to lay the half of Israeli society was a blame on the opposition like very dangerous precedent," he said. "It was the mirror me did not find an echo image of the assassination throughout broad segments of society. In fact, it was a very itself. Israeli society showed dangerous precedent because itself quite mature, it shunned it said you cannot disagree. the assassination and equally you cannot argue vehemently shunned the attempt to dein case some madman may legitimise the opposition share your views and act," Mr Netanyahu said in a

According to many left-wingers, the assassination of Rabin has been largely forgotten in official circles.







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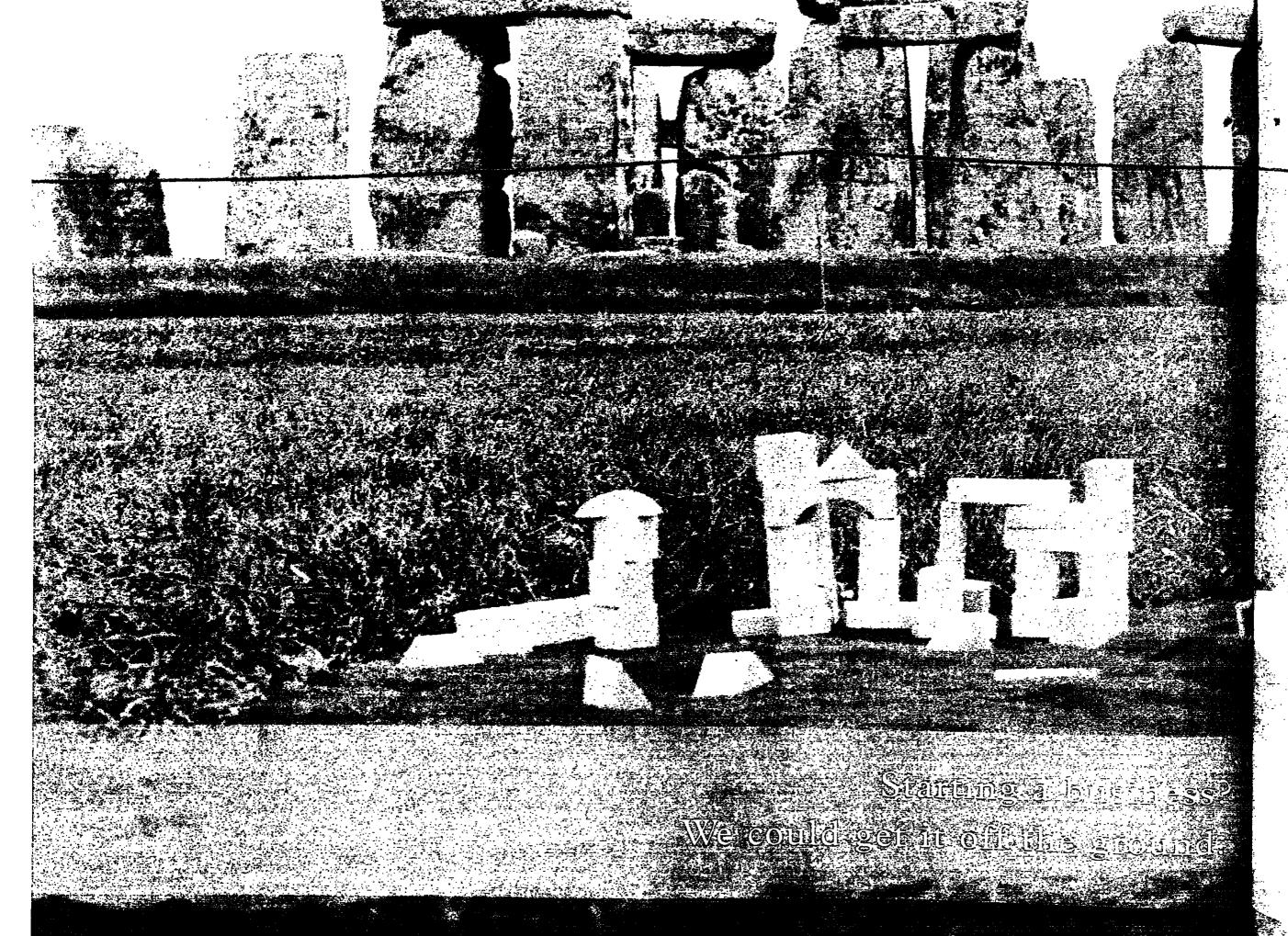
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**Tamils** 

THE Sri Lankan Government

yesterday after a calamitous

week of killings that could threaten a Sinhalese backlash

against the Tamil minority.

The death toll from Wednes-

day's bomb attack on a packed

commuter train near Colom-

bo, the capital, rose to more

than 70 - most of them young.

including some children.
The Tamil guerrilla group,
the Liberation Tigers of Tamil
Eelam (LTTE), denied respon-

sibility. In a statement from its

London office, it accused the

Government of trying to whip

up anti-Tamil emotions by blaming them. "It is not the

policy of the LTTE to attack

Police and forensic scientists

clues last night. Belongings

were scattered around two

shattered carriages and torn.

bloodstained clothes of the

dead and injured littered the platform of Dehiwala station.

seven miles south of Colombo.

and along the grass bank

beside the track. Last night

the Government announced

compensation of 10,000 rupees (£125) to the families of those

In a nationwide address,

President Kumaratunga ap-

pealed to people not to "fall prey to the scheming tactics"

of the Tigers, whose aim, she

said, was to provoke an ethnic

☐ Rebels accused: The Tigers

inflict a huge amount of

suffering on Tamil civilians,

according to a group of moder-

ate Tamil university teachers

who have been forced into

hiding for fear of reprisals

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In a damning report, Univ-

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Rights says that Tamil civil-

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Kumaratunga: warning

against backlash

Prentice writes).

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civilian targets." it said.

Burundian capital under siege as resistance to coup builds up

# Military installs a moderate leader to reassure Hutus

From Sam Kiley in bujumbura and James Bone in New York

day deposed the Hutu President and announced the installation of Pierre Buyova. a moderate Tutsi, as transitional head of state, in what appeared to have been a bloodless coup.

Colonel Firmin Sinzoyiheba, the Defence Minister, announced that Mr Buyoya, an ex-President who quit after losing elections to a Hutu rival in 1993, would take over the former Belgian colony until elections could be held.

However, the United Nations said yesterday its special representative had reported that Hutu extremists had decided to retaliate against the Tutsi-led coup by laying siege to the two largest cities. Chinmaya Gharekhan, a senior UN official, said that the National Council for the Deopposition movement, had

the country as a whole."

## **UN says West reluctant** to supply peacekeepers

THE United Nations is strug-gling to assemble a 20,000strong multinational force to establish buffer zones and killed in Rwanda in 1994, was "safe areas" in Burundi if teetering on the edge of a new genocide breaks out. genocide. Officials have been trying since March to put

Senior UN officials complain that the main Western countries able to mount largescale military intervention have shown no political will to provide troops. So far only six African countries - Chad, Ethiopia. Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia - have said they will risk their soldiers to prevent an ethnic bloodbath between Burundi's rival Tutsi and Hutu tribes.

"We have to move very quickly before everything blows up in our faces," said Kofi Annan, head of UN peacekeeping. "As it is, history will judge us rather severely for Rwanda. What we need is dilicai wili to act

launched a raid in the south of the country and planned to besiege Bujumbura and Gitega, the second city. He said that the capital had been cut off with "roadblocks all over the place".

He added: "Apparently, their tactic is to starve these two cities into submission and thereby affect the situation in

Marc Faguy, the UN representative, had met President Ntibantunganya, the deposed leader, in his refuge at the American Ambassador's residence. He said that Mr Ntibantunganya had no intention of resigning. Nineteen other Hutu ministers, including Veneral Bakevyumusaya, the Foreign Secretary, were in hiding at the home of the German Ambassador, Colofence of Democracy, the Hutu nel Sinzoyiheba banned all

> dusk-to-dawn curfew. said last year that the Great Lakes region, which saw about one million people

> > together an international force to head off new massacres. Of 87 countries approached for troops, however, only 17 responded and five of the responses were negative. No major Western nation offered troops, although some, like Britain and the United States,

The nations that have the armies, the rapid-reaction capability, the logistics, are First World democracies and their national interest is not at stake in Africa," said one senior UN official.

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political parties and dissolved the national assembly, but the task of bringing frightened Hutus into the political process now falls to the transitional President. Mr Ntibantunganya was told in radio broadcasts that it was safe for him to return home, but one of the ministers in hiding said:
"They will be waiting to slaughter us." By late yesterday afternoon. Bujumbura was silent after

the army issued orders to all civilians to get off the streets, moments after Hutu traders in the central market were targeted in a grenade attack. Hutus, who have been forced to live in the forests on the hills surrounding the capital since last year, scuttled back to safety, leaving the city in the hands of the Tutsi minority. The army closed Burundi's borders and airports, and all routes leading out of the capital, cut international telephone links, and imposed a

The appointment of Mr Buyoya, a former major who took power in a coup in 1989, was clearly an attempt to appoint a Tutsi head of state who would be acceptable to the Hutus, who make up 85 per cent of the population. His credibility stems from his acceptance of the election of Melchior Nadadye, who was murdered in a failed coup three months into his tenure.

But 5,000 Tutsi youths yesterday paraded through the capital shouting anti-Buyoya slogans, angry at the appointment of a man they see as having sold out to Hutus bent on annihilating Tutsis.
Salim Ahmed Salim, the

Organisation of African Unity's Secretary-General, issued an unusually belligerent statement before the coup, saying that any attempt to take power illegally would be met by force. But the quiet appointment of Mr Buyoya may allow the OAU to avoid sending peacekeepers to a country where 150,000 have violence since 1993.

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Pierre Buyoya, a former President, is the new man at the helm in Burundi

## Tutsi ruler rekindles hope

THE military coup which brought Pierre Buyoya, Burundi's former military President, back to power in the strife-torn Central African country is the most promising sign in a bleak picture.

While reports portray him as a Tutsi "strongman", he is far from being so. The military regime Major Buyoya ian detween 1987 and 1993 marked a watershed in Bu- he accepted defeat by the Few believe it can.

rundian politics, by first overthrowing the radical Tutsi dictator. Jean-Baptiste Bagaza, in 1987, and opening up the field to multiparty

democracy seven years later. Major Buyoya held elec-tions in 1993 knowing his Uprona Party, which draws its main support from the minority Tutsis, would lose because of the tribal make-up of the political parties. But, rare amons

dent, Melchior Ndadaye, and retired to a modest villa on the

the edge of Bujumbura. Yesterday's coup. in the absence of any rapid decisions with regard to foreign intervention in Burundi, is the best thing that could have happened in the circumstances. What is now required is time for the new regime to prove that national unity and

## **Opposition unites** to force out Bhutto

FROM ZAHID HUSSAIN IN KARACHI

THE Government of Benazir Bhutto faces the most serious threat yet to its survival as an alliance of 15 leading opposition political parties prepares to launch a nationwide movement against the 33-month-old administration.

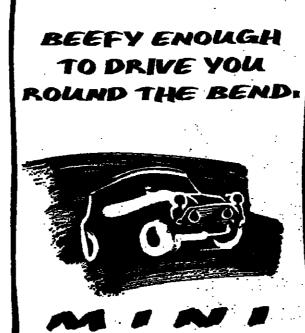
The alliance led by the former Prime Minister. Nawaz Sharif, said yesterday that it would use all means to oust the Government and strive for fresh elections under a neutral caretaker administration. The opposition leaders, who met in Islamabad, called on President Leghari to fulfil his constitutional obligation and dismiss what they described as a corrupt and

inept Government. Significantly, the opposition move has come at a time when Pakistan is experiencing its worst recession for two decades and the country's economic life has been crippled by a series of strikes by traders, industrialists and transporters over the past four weeks. The imposition of £800 million in additional taxes last month has triggered widespread public outrage and worsened an already volatile political situation. Three people were killed and several were wounded when the police opened fire at an anti-tax demonstration in Rawalpindi last month. Mass protests have also gripped other main

The newly formed opposition alliance hopes to exploit the increasing public discon-tent to strike at the beleaguered Government

High taxes are not likely to extricate the country from its worst financial crisis and most economists predict economic collapse by September or October, when Pakistan is required to pay more than £300 million in foreign debt servicing. The situation seems to have worsened because the International Monetary Fund is reluctant to come to Pakistan's aid.

The deteriorating law and order situation has added to Miss Bhutto's predicament. A series of bomb explosions, which rocked the country's biggest province of Punjab and killed more than 80 people since the beginning of the year, has shaken the year, has Government.



## Appeal for NEWS IN BRIEF Death toll calm as rises to six deny train in Turkish jail fast bombing

Istanbul: Three more hunger strikers died vesterday in Turkish jails, bringing the toll this week to six (Andrew Finkel writes). Nearly 300 urged the nation to be calm prisoners were refusing all nourishment last night as the ten-week protest over prison conditions worsened.

Sevket Kazan. Turkey's Minister of Justice, said the Government had made concessions. He said many prisoners now had weapons. The hunger-strikers main demand is that a high-security prison known as "the coffin". in the city of Eskisehir, should

be shut down. In one of his first acts as a new minister this month. Mr Kazan suspended the transfer of prisoners to Eskisehir. He has refused, however, to close the jail, which he describes as being well above European

## continued to pick through the twisted metal of the train for Hijacker seized in Algeria

Rabat: Algerian security forces yesterday overpowered an armed hijacker who held 232 passengers hostage for six hours on board an Air Algerie flight at Oran airport in western Algeria (Mark Huband writes). State television said nobody was harmed. It is not known if the man was linked to Algeria's Islamic militant movement. which hijacked an Air France plane to Marseilles in 1994.

## Mass grave find

Lisbon: A mine-clearing team in Kwanda, northern Angola. has exhumed hundreds of skeletons, many with bullet holes, from a mass grave at a former army camp, according to reports. (AP)

## Biko rejection

Johannesburg: South Africa's Constitutional Court rejected an attempt by the family of Steve Biko, the murdered antiapartheid activist, to prevent his killers being pardoned if they confess. (Reuter)

## Harsh penalty

Tehran: Thieves in Iran will lose four fingers on their right hand for a first offence under the country's new penal code. Repeat offenders face the amputation of toes or the death penalty. (AFP)

## Breaking in

Copenhagen: A jailed Danish motorbike gang leader is re-covering in hospital after unidentified attackers shot him in his cell after breaking into a jail, then escaping after throwing a grenade. (Reuter)

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# Breakthrough as divers salvage data recorders

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

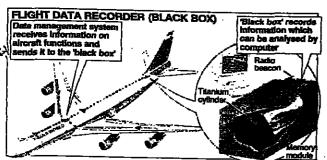
AN investigation into the crash of TWA Flight 800 was close to a breakthrough last night as experts in Washington examined the aircraft's black boxes, which were finally recovered by divers 100ft down off the coast of

Long Island yesterday.
The flight data and cockpit voice recorders are seen as the best hope yet in solving the mystery of last week's crash in which all 230 passengers and crew were killed.

The crash appeared to have ripped the end off the dented and scratched data recorder,

exposing a handful of torn and dangling wires. "There was moderate damage, but we've seen much worse than this," said Dr Bernard Loeb of the National Transportation Safety Board. "The tapes are being dried in our laboratories and are in good condition. We hope to have some informa-

tion by the end of the day." The voice recorder, designed to preserve up to 30 minutes of cockpit conversation, may indicate whether the crew knew of any problem before tragedy struck. For its part, the data recorder is



## Pilotless subs and sonar prove worth

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

THE recovery of the "black boxes" of TWA Flight 800 is the result of a high-tech search in the waters off Long Island using such sophisticated equipment as pilotless submarines and an experimental body-locating laser. The USS Oak Hill, a multi-

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purpose amphibious US Navy vessel with a flooded welldeck and two helicopters that can ferry wreckage to shore, has taken up position as the onscene command post.

Side-scanning sonar towed by two other ships - the Pirouette and the Rude - is being used to map the debris on the seabed, and the USS Grasp is anchored directly over the centre of the wreckage. The Grasp uses remoteoperated vehicles with video cameras and sonar to locate

sends "hard-hat" divers, supplied with air through a pipe from the surface, down to investigate.

It was a small submarine and divers from the Grasp, a US Navy recovery ship, that finally retrieved the jet's flight data and cockpit voice recorders. The Grasp also has two cranes, each capable of lifting 75 tonnes, for the recovery of large chunks of wreckage from the seabed.

With as many as 120 divers working in shifts around the clock, officials describe the week-long salvage operation as a well oiled machine. The divers, who carry hand-held sonars and video cameras, face twisted metal and trails of electrical wire from the airlin-

er. Visibility is about 15 ft. The divers have also been equipped with an experimental laser able to locate bodies. designed to log altitude, speed and engine information for up to 25 hours and could reveal the presence of a mechanical Investigators in Washing-

ton were cautious about what would be found. In the final analysis, they said, the two bright red cases may hold less than one second's worth of

The early failure of the aircraft's transponder, an automatic radio transmitter that broadcasts its identity, airspeed and position, combined with the lack of a mayday distress signal from the pilots, led aviation experts to believe that the explosion, whatever its cause, may have resulted in total electrical failure on board.

The boxes, about the size of a car battery, use slightly more electricity than a standard portable computer. Later models have small capacitors which can keep them running briefly after an accident, but those on Flight 800 are thought to have been older and did not include the power

Capacitors are mandatory in Europe and the Federal Aviation Administration has been considering the same rule in America. Had the TWA boxes included the unit, recording time could have been extended by about one-fifth of a second. In the case of a bomb, or a missile, the value of this fleeting extra moment is thought to be negligible in establishing cause. If the crash was caused by mechanical failure, however, every slim piece of information might

The Boeing 747 that crashed was originally equipped with a flight data recorder that captured only five channels, each concentrating on one of the aircraft's vital measurements from speed and altitude to heading and vertical acceleration. A 17-channel system was installed later on Flight 800 and, although the FAA is proposing that all aircraft now upgrade to between 24 and 44 channels, the recorders have proved almost entirely reliable on jumbo jets.



# Cockpit tape could hold bomb clue

By Harvey Elliott AIR CORRESPONDENT

A MILLISECOND of sound on the tape of the cockpit voice recorder could be enough to establish whether TWA Flight 800 was brought down by a bomb.

Before the power was cut, investigators hope, there could be sufficient information to enable them to obtain some indication of what happened in the last few seconds before the passengers and crew of the Boeing 747-100 were killed.

The "black boxes" are actually bright red so that they can be picked out in wreckage after a crash. The idea of recording automatically all the main movements of an aircraft from its height and speed to the engine power and the

position of the control surfaces was developed in Britain in the late 1950s by an electronics expert, Kenneth Dobson, and first displayed at the Farnborough air show in 1961.

It is now compulsory for all large commercial aircraft to carry such recorders. They are made of titanium which surrounds mineral wool and cork packing designed to protect the mass of computer chips which monitor what is happening throughout the aircraft's vital parts and then record it onto wire or

However, Tony Skinner, a former air ident investigator, said last night that he did not think the flight data recorder (FDR) would reveal much. "All it will show is that at a certain moment all

electrical power was cut, either by an explosion or by an explosive decompression on board."

But the second "black box", the cockpit voice recorder, which is stored alongside the FDR in the tail of the aircraft, is more likely to provide a clue to the cause of the crash. This has four channels which record what the crew says to air traffic controllers on the ground and, more important, all the sounds in the aircraft, including the cockpit.

If this detected the first shock waves of a bomb blast, the trace will be compared with the "signatures" on the tape taken from the PanAm Boeing 747 which was 1988 and the Air India passenger aircraft which crashed off Ireland in 1985.

## Clinton visits grieving relatives

PRESIDENT CLINTON, visiting the mourning families of those who died on TWA Flight 800, announced new airline security measures last night.

Emphasising that sabotage had not been identified as the cause of the crash, the White House said Mr Clinton would appoint Vice-President Al Gore to head a commission to draw up proposals within 45

days.

The measures would include the screening of all luggage on domestic flights within America and the expanded use of the CTX 5000 bomb-detection scanner now being tested at Atlanta and San Francisco airports.

With a white ribbon of remembrance on his lapel, Mr Clinton travelled by motorcade from Kennedy airport to the Ramada Plaza Hotel for a private meeting with the relatives. His message was reas-surance that the Government was doing everything in its power to find all the bodies and an explanation of the

The decision to fly to New York en route to the Olympic Games in Atlanta ended days of debate among senior members of the Administration as to how Mr Clinton personally should respond to the tragedy.

Earlier this week Mr Clinton; for instance, had declined an invitation to the memorial in Parisylvania for 16 members of a high-school French class who had died. It was a deliberate move by the White House to both avoid diverting attention from the investigation and also prevent any

possible criticism.

Paris: President Chirac sent a Cabinet minister to New York yesterday to comfort the families of victims of last week's TWA disaster amid mounting anger among French relatives at the slow recovery of the bodies.

Anne-Marie Idrac, Secretary of State for Transport, was to meet families of the 48 French citizens who died in the explosion. The relatives are staying at an airport hotel waiting to take home the bodies of their loved ones.

to meet American officials in charge of the investigation into the crash. (Reuter)

## **Doctor** 'gave lover HIV shot'

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

A DOCTOR, fearing the end of a decade-long affair with a nurse, has been charged with trying to kill the woman by injecting her with a "vitamin shot" that contained HIVtainted blood from a dying Aids patient.

Dr Richard Schmidt, 48. from Lafayette, Louisiana, succeeded in infecting his mistress, 33, the prosecutor says. A father of two, described by his wife as a "good man". Dr Schmidt is being held without bail for attempted murder. The prosecutor wants to try him for murder, but cannot do so because his victim has not

Dr Schmidt's lawyer insists that his client's former mistress is "out to try and ruin his life with this charge". But the prosecutor says the woman was lying in bed on the night of August 4, 1994, when Dr Schmidt entered the darkened room and said he wanted to give her a shot of Vitamin Bl2 for her fatigue. He allegedly injected her despite her refusal.

The couple never had sex again and, about two months later, the woman began to complain of trouble with her lymph nodes and pain in her eyes. Last December the voman was diagnosed as HIV-positive. DNA tests on the virus allegedly matched those of a sample of infected blood taken from a dying Aids patient by Dr Schmidt on the day of the "vitamin" injection.



Hang-gliding: bidding for gold at Sydney Games

# Gliders hover over Olympic heights

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN ATLANTA

WITH snooker now being spoken of as a possible Olympic sport, other activities are pushing for inclusion in the Games, ranging from surfing to karate, lawn bowls and roller skating.

Juan Samaranch, head of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), was reported yesterday to be keen on snooker and pushing for its inclusion in the 2004 Olympics. The IOC will meet at the end of the Atlanta Games to consider which new sports, if any, can be welcomed into the Olympic family. Sydney, site of the 2000 Games, has already made arrangements to accommodate the triathlon

and the oriental sport of The US Amateur Confederation of Roller Skating said: "We are keeping our fingers crossed." The US Squash Racquets Association is lobbying in Atlanta to be allowed to play in future Olympiads and the ruling organisations

of ballroom dancing and hang-gliding have said they want to be allowed in.

To qualify, an activity must be played in at least 75 countries on four continents. The Atlanta Games have seen the successful introduction of beach volleyball - the sport has been fast and good to

Sydney intends to limit the Games to 10,000 athletes, 1,000 fewer than Atlanta, in the belief that the Olympics are becoming unwieldy. Mr Samaranch likes to say that "the bus is full - someone will have to get off before someone else gets on".

A Sydney spokesman said yesterday that the city is near to some "terrifically tall cliffs which would be well suited to hang-gliding". In view of all this, cricket, dropped in 1900, may feel that

it is time to return to the Olympic crease. Reports, pages 39-42, 44

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**Bronze** 

OLYMPIC bronze medallists

are likely to be happier than winners of silver medals, psychologists claimed vesterday. A study of the reactions of bronze and silver medallists suggested that whereas silver medallists feel a sense of despair at having just missed the top place, bronze medallists are delighted to be part of the medal awards ceremony. feel less pressure of failure and reflect that it is far better to have come third than unrewarded fourth.

Victoria Husted Medvec, a business psychologist at Northwestern University. said: "We examined film footage of the Barcelona Games and studied the reactions of 41 athletes on the stands during the medal ceremony and during interviews afterwards. The silver medallists were significantly less happy than the

people who won bronze."
The film footage was assessed by a scientifically controlled range of viewers who marked the reactions of the athletes on a scale of one to ten. The bronze winners waved their medals and smiled. Silver winners were more likely to look exhausted

and depressed. The Graeco-Roman wrestling this week presented an example of an inconsolable silver medallist. Matt Ghaf-fari of the US, who lost the super heavyweight final narrowly to Russia's Aleksandr Karelin, broke down on the

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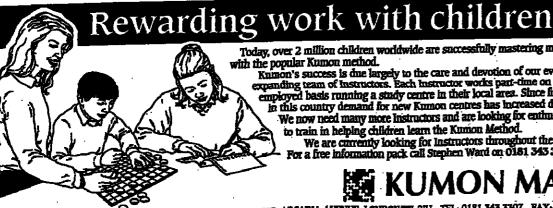
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# How gay men were "cured"

Brutal methods were once used by hospitals to treat homosexuals, reports **Jeremy Laurence** 

ments have been adminstered in the name of psychiatry but few are as nasty as that meted out to Peter Price, now a Liverpool radio presenter. Thirty years ago. as a young man. Mr Price underwent aversion therapy to "cure" him of his homosexuality. His mother had wanted more than anything to have grand-children and he felt he had let her down.

Mr Price, whose story is told in a BBC TV programme .next month, sought help from his GP who referred him to Deva psychiatric hospital in Chester. He still has nightmares about the three days he spent there in 1963.

As male homosexual activity was still illegal at the time, the reason for Peter's admission was kept secret and he was put in a ward with manic depressives. "We had people screaming in the night, people chattering and laughing. It was like a horror movie."

The next day he was taken to a windowless room and told to get into bed. He was given a stack of male erotica magazines and a supply of Guinness,

his favourite drink. A short while later, three staff came into the room and gave him an injection. Soon after he vomited. He asked for a bowl but was told just to be sick in the bed. The sickness lasted an hour and then he was given another injection and the vomiting would start again.

They wouldn't let me go to the toilet so you can imagine what it was like. I didn't sleep. I was in a terrible state. I couldn't think straight. After 72 hours I said 'Hey I want out. If this is supposed to make me better I don't

want to be better." He phoned a friend and. despite the pleadings of staff to persist with the treatment, persuaded him

"We went back to his house where I got cleaned up, then we went to bed. I think it was my way of telling them where to go. Far from curing me, the treatment confirmed more than anything else that I

Until 1973, homosexuality was classified as a psychiatric disorder and aversion therapy was frequently used to try to turn young men's fancy in the direction of the opposite sex. It was a form of conditioning with a crude simplicity: encourage pa-tients to indulge in the unwanted behaviour and then apply unpleasant stimuli, such as nasty injections or electric shocks. Sooner or later, it was believed, the patient would, Pavlov-like, associate the behaviour with the nastiness and avoid it.

For homosexuality, the treatment was a failure, proving that sexual orientation is not a learnt behaviour. Aversion therapy did work, however, in cases of sexual fetishism, a learnt response in which a sexual activity has become linked with an object.

r Michael Raymond, the psychiatrist who died last year, pioneered the use of the therapy in the treatment of fetishism and alcoholism in the 1950s and 1960s. In one celebrated case. he treated a young RAF mechanic obsessed with handbags. The sight of a well-stuffed handbag would excite him sexually.

The treatment involved shutting him in a room with a collection of handbags and giving him repeated injections of apomorphine, a drug which causes vomiting.

After some days, the man finally broke down sobbing and shouted Take them away." From that moment he lost all interest in them. ● Dark Secret: Sexual Aver-

# Israel's children of hope



The political map of Israel may look like a skin disease — all blotches and pimples encircled in green — but thousands of young Arabs and Jews are learning the art of peaceful coexistence. Cynthia Kee reports

he taxi wound its way down the broad street of the Arab village; on either side, big white houses, newly built with palatial overtones. Overhead, a single canopy, densely blue. At the bottom, a street market. We drew up in our white Mercedes. Outside the open window was a T-shirt stall brick. plum, mustard, they hung limply on wire hangers as T-shirts do. Ahead, fruit and vegetables glowing like jewels - orange, aubergine, tomato. The driver gestured at a mountain of cauliflowers, creamy faced and staring, eyeless. I could have put out my hand and bought one.

That side, Palestinian police: this side. Israeli," he said. Then he turned round and drove back.

This was one of the unsolicited detours made by my driver, Mahommed (there are Christian Arabs too), on our way through the densely populated strip of Israel between the mountains and the Mediterranean. On the political map it looks like a skin

ples encircled by green lines. These reflect the enormously complex agreement between Israel and Yassir Arafat and may be autonomously Palestinian, Palestinian run, Israeli policed or Palestinian to be. On the ground it's an unlovely stretch crammed with urban settlements: Jewish, redroofed and regimented: Arab. as above; trailer parks, inhabited by unhoused Russian or Ethiopian Jews.

Mahommed jumped out in an apparently Jewish area to buy strawberries from some Arabs in a mobile shop. How did I know they were Arabs? Only because I asked. Mahommed supported Peres. "Good man," he said.

The inhabitants of the "unrecognised village" didn't support anyone. "Even Arafat has forgotten us," said their spokesperson. Sixty thousand Arabs, mostly Bedouin, who have refused to move off their lands live in unrecognised villages. Denied civil amenities, their dwellings subject to peremptory demolition, they seemed among the most dedisease, all blotches and pim- prived of Israeli citizens. By



How have "God's chosen people" made such enemies of the Arabs who live in their midst and in whose midst they live?

Third World standards their tin and board shacks scattered over a stony hillside were not too bad. But Israel is classified as Europe. For the inhabitants the trim Jewish new towns clothing the hilltops next door, paint bright and serviced to the hilt. Of course they feel pushed out; of course they cling to "injustice" and "dispossession" like validating trophies won in an unfair war.

I have always wondered how "God's chosen people" (Spinoza, Freud, Einstein, all those thinkers) could have managed to make such enemies out of the Arabs who live in their midst, and in whose midst they live. Strolling spell-bound through the cool halls of the new Su-

preme Court in Jerusalem, I experienced a nasty indigestive blip thinking of the noble monuments, donated mostly by international Jewry, all dedicated to the greater glory of Israel and all grounded on the shifting sands of

But there are exceptions. I went to Israel to look for them, for initiatives in Arab-Jewish coexistence, especially with the young. I found projects, programmes, pres-sure groups by the hundred and visited a score or more all run with relish by Israelis who seemed convinced they were living the right life, who could and did change things and who were eager to explain how and why. The way they talked made me wonder if any of it was true. All these coexistence programmes and so many Jews . . . Where were the Arab co-workers?

On the fourth day, I found one. In Jaffa, that picturesque Mediterranean port which is also the location of some of the roughest slums in Israel. He was sitting in a quiet room beside a boxful of cassettes. At his feet two rows of children lay on mattresses, each with a Walkman, each listening to a story in Arabic or Hebrew — Jews and Arabs, side by side. The Jewish Arab Associ-

ation for the Child and Family, Friendship's Way, was set up in 1983 by a handful of peace activists frustrated by their diet of demos and marches. It

is a long-term, after-school enrichment programme aimed at fostering "mutual respect and understanding and it works with parents too. The young Arab supervising the rest was a graduate of the programme.

"During the Gulf War." he said, 'the children were happy that the Scuds were coming but they also invited Jewish staff to come home and stay with them." He spoke with affection and some pride.

Children by the thousand learn coexistence at Givat Haviva: 1,300 Arabs and Jews paired in the Children Teaching Children programme -2.000 at a time, face to face on three-day residential work-

shops, and by the hundred on art and drama courses for young 'I tried people.

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Nearly 50 years old, Givat Haviva is a Peace University and you never know who you're going to come across. A flock of Muslim girls, soft faces smiling within their black veils, on a women's rights course; groups of men in

suits strolling under the eucalyptus trees - executives, maybe, learning how to teach business to Arabs in Gaza, or maybe Arab teachers learning about the Holocaust; a knot of lean, elegant Mizrahi (immi-grant Jews from Ethiopia) studying democracy; a troup of soldier girls learning conciliation skills. Much of the work at Givat Haviva goes on in homogenous groups. Mixed groups are liable to explode without long and careful preparation. "I can't bear it!" screamed an unprepared visitor (Jewish) to an art exhibition as he fled from the room, hands clutched to his head.

At the school, in Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salam, the art teacher put her hands to her breast. These are my lands, my people," she said. I felt acutely uncomfortable. Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salam, the Peace Oasis, is the most advanced of all coexistence enterprises in Israel. Thirty-six families live there, Arab and Jewish, coming to-gether purposely to practise coexistence and to teach it both to children in the school and to hundreds of young people and

Power to the folk: 24-year-old Irish singing sensation Sinead Lohan prepares for the Cambridge Folk Festival

adults who take courses there. since 1993. This is important The art teacher was telling me as a precedent as well as what anguish the celebration financially. It is just such of Israeli Independence Day initiatives that are likely to be causes her. Lulled by the clobbered by the Netanyahu tranquillity and purposefulabsolutist parties are for an ness of the place, I had forgotten what powerful emoexclusively Jewish state. tions might need to be man-"Peace process" seems to me aged in order to live there a phrase for now far distanced

left her office. Bright-eyed and bold children closed round me. They tried spelling my name on the board in Hebrew, Arabic and English. I tried guessing which of them was which but I

peaceably. With some relief, I

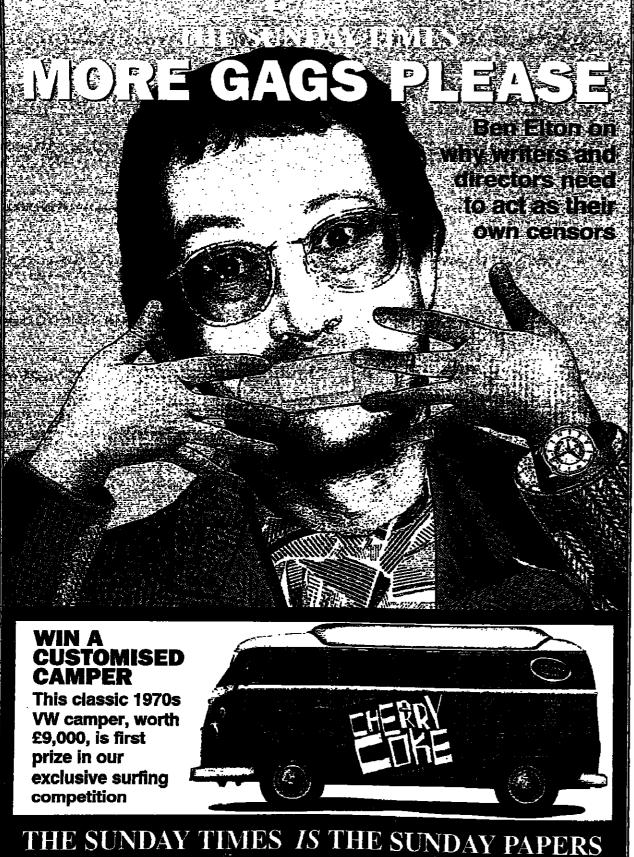
never got it right. The school at Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salam, unique in Israel, has been

isation of stereotypes from which stable peace could grow; a game for politicians in which throwing a six means handshake on the White House lawn"

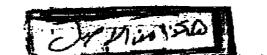
"No! He Arab. Me Jew . . . said a pair of giggling nine-year-olds at Neve Shalom/ Wahat al-Salam. They put their arms round one another recognised by the Government and ran off shouting.

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David Heathcoat-Amory: "If a single currency is held to be a such a good idea, I want them to tell me why."

# They didn't think I would do it

t is day one of David Heathcoat-Amory's new-found freedom. The plus is that he can linger over his breakfast muesli and say what he really thinks about Europe. The minus is that Cyril the chauffeur. "the best in the world", no longer waits at the door of his Holiand Park house.

On cue, the doorbell rings and it is Cyril - already reallocated to Jeremy Hanley. He has come to deliver the contents. of the ex-minister's desk, to take away the last red box, and to ask could they please have Mr Heathcoat-Amory's key to the ministerial loo?

This symbolic exchange over, Mr Heathcoat-Amory sinks his long lean frame into a sofa, a man more famous out of office than he ever was in it. Last week, so little was known about him that people could neither spell or pronounce his name (it's Hethcul). Now he has had his first experience of evading the hack pack by sprinting out of a back door, and a taxi-driver has finally recognised him.

In a room papered in William Morris willow, Florence, seven, plays with Norwich terrier puppy Pippin. Two teenage sons are in bed. The handsome house formerly belonged to the artist Howard Hodgkin, so Mrs Heathcoat-Amory, aka the artist Linda Adams, paints in Hodgkin's attic studio.

It is perplexing that someone with Heathcoat-Amory's Establishment background, his unrebellious nature, a man born to the Whips' office, should have become at this crucial juncture one of Mr Major's "bastards". "Not a very obvious career move," he says drily. His bachelor uncle Derick

was Macmillan's Chancellor, an austere man who remains a hero to some for reducing the duty on eigarettes and beer. David recalls a journalist once telephoning his uncle at home on Boxing Day, which seemed, in the 1950s, "quite an event". The family fortune derives from a Victorian Liberal MP. John Heathcoat. of Nottinghamshire who invented a lace-making machine

## **Paymaster General David** Heathcoat-Amory explains why he was certain he had to resign

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**GROVE** 

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and was obliged by Luddites to move to Devon. David's mother, Sonia, married two Heathcoat-Amory cousins in succession: so David, whose father is a retired brigadier, has two older half-siblings who are also his second cousins, and a younger sister who was formerly married to Michael Cockerell, maker of mischievous documentaries.

He was a fearless captain of boxing at Eton and a boxing blue during his

ing years at Christ Church, Oxford, where he read PPE and became president of the Conservative Association, pro-Europe, pro-Ted Heath He met Bill Clinton, and was in Gros-

venor Square for the anti-Vietnam demo (just to observe; he did not inhale). Afterwards he travelled round the world, ending up in Vietnam with a correspondent's accreditation fixed by Jonathan Aitken. Having qualified as a chartered accumtant, he joined a Lloyd's syndicate — resigning, just too late, in 1989. "I am nothing like as badly hit as many others, and it's a loss I

The shooting lodge at Glenfernat, for 100 years his family's Perthshire estate, is mostly let. "Land ownership is like being a pensioner in a large house; you have this enormous asset, but no cash." The grouse are scarce but the trout are plentiful until Max Hastings arrives among this

can sustain."

summer's guests.
From this background, it is incongruous to imagine him, now congenially established in Wells, ever contesting Brent South (Paul Boateng's rocksolid Labour seat). It is equally incongruous to recall that he was Deputy Chief Whip at the time of the Maastricht Bill, though already a closet Eurosceptic. "But I thought we ought to make a go of it and God. I tried. I've done my bit

for Europe, frankly."

He hoped subsidiarity might help: "But like all half-formed federations, the central government exercises more and more power, and it's remorseless." When John Major moved him from Foreign

Office to Treasury to get the EC Finance Bill found the EU colossal waste and inefficiency" unutterably depressing.

Finally this year he made up his mind to go: a decision he made alone. "I would have liked to discuss

it with friends like Michael Howard and Richard Ryder. But I felt with such certainty that I was right. What are politicians for? Why are we here? When something is clearly wrong for this country. we should reject it. I'm not a show-off: some people think it's only extroverts who have certainties, but other people can have self-confidence about their beliefs, and I'm one of them." There was no point in talking to the Chancellor: "One thing I respect about him is he makes up his mind and sticks to it."

He told the Prime Minister on May 16. "No, he was not angry. He is a courteous and considerate man. He asked me to reconsider. But he knows I understand his position, and disagree with it. He pointed out it would cause another parliamentary row, and I agreed it would be difficult and damag-ing for him, so the least I could do was agree to his timing. I

reshuffle, and to keep it confidential." But since he was about to publish his arguments in a pamphlet (A Single European Currency: Why the United Kingdom must say 'No', published by the Bruges Group) others inevitably found out. The Chief Whip tried to talk him out of it. "I don't think they really believed

I would do it. The Prime Minister declared on Today that Heathcoat-Amory could have effected change from within. "But I've tried that. I've been a minister eight years. Policy decisions are settled by senior Cabinet members and I had no chance of advancing the arguments I believed in. If politics is a battle of ideas you must put them forward, and I can do that from the back benches, as I could not as a minister. I hope they will read my pamphlet. If a single currency is held to be such a good idea, I want them to tell me why."

hey support him in Wells, a Euro-sceptic farming constituency. but he embraces no Euro-sceptic group: "I don't go along with this rather unpleasant undercurrent of fearing German dominance; I'm impressed by modern Germany." He is convinced that our relationship with Europe will change in response to public demand. "We will become the national party; it's only a ques-Goldsmith factor is "a symptom of what's wrong. Goldsmith has damaging views on trade which I completely disagree with, but people will vote for a fringe party if the Conservative Party doesn't represent their

He sees the Prime Minister as "boxed in, poor fellow", with his majority of one, and his Chancellor a drag anchor". "And if that's how it has to be, count me out." When he read yesterday's Times interview in which John Major said the Tories can still say no to a single currency, he responded: "Well, that's his story. It might get him through the holdays, but it won't get him through the general election."

# Turned off by a summer of ugly feet

THERE is surely nothing on earth more ugly than the human foot, and nothing more calculated to display it to its utmost revoltingness than the miserable sandal. Returning from an otherwise delightful holiday last

week, I was overjoyed to find

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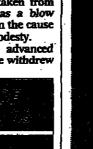
my jaded co-passengers reach for their luggage and, with muted sighs, root out a pair of Oxfords had me rejoicing at

our intemperate climate. Imagine, then, my consternation — the upheaval in a stomach that had anticipated 50 foot-free weeks before next fest, when I learned that sandals were "back". On the catwalks of Milan.

men in suits wore sandalled feet. Fashiou writers called it "cool" and "sensible". Spread across double pages in magazines was Sir Ramulph Fiennes, our greatest living explorer, holding a hideous two-strapped leather thing and suggesting, albeit obliquely, that it was indispensable to the success of solo

missions to the South Pole. I once had great respect for the man. From now on I shall regard every toe taken from him by frostbite as a blow struck by Nature in the cause of elegance and modesty.

Have we not advanced since mighty Rome withdrew



sandalled feet could not Philips Fizz digital mobile phone today, and once you've had it connected, we'll send you this march in our frozen land? For women there are py-thon-skin flip-flops by Patrick superb Casio 2.2 inch screen Cox, white snaffle mules by portable TV worth £99.99(RRP) Office, and sandals in red patent leather by Jimmy Simply call us with your credit card details to receive your phone Choo. They are worn with nail polish of blue or bubble-gum pink, toe-rings and Elastoplast on blistered heels.

How the mystery of woman

And how the dignity of men is compromised by a once-

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But then, this is a nation that can eat pink ice lollies called Funny Feet. Feet are not funny at all. I would no more eat a processed cheese called Humorous Bunion. So do not curse the onset of cold weather this autumn. Rather, dream of a winter of boots, brogues and fetid feet

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## ■ Nothing in the Games is new: not even the cynical press coverage

≺oca-Cola is best. Pindar introduced his Olympian Odes with, "Water is the greatest". And he was performing the prizegiving ceremony for Hieron, Tyrant of Syracuse, whose entry "Winner-Bringer" had just won gold in the Olympic Games flat race for horses in 476 BC. But we have improved on all that archaic stuff. So our Olympian Ode in 1996 has to start with Coke, the corporate sponsor of these games. Although the sacred poet (hired hack on his high horse) may understandably prefer Pepsi, without even bringing into contention champagne or Greene King bitter and other more inspirational liquids.

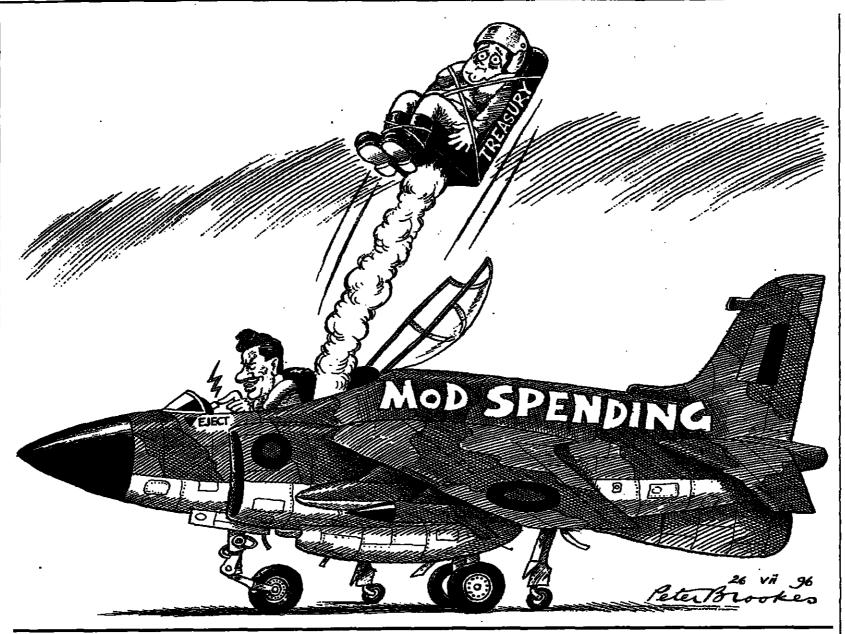
Coca-Cola is best. The sponsors say so, so it must be true. And gold, like fire burning in the night, outshines all possessions that magnify men's pride. But if you want to puff the greatest games, look no farther for any star brighter than the sun, or for any contes greater than Atlanta. And in fact, in spite of the Coke, plus ca change plus this is still the same old Olympics.

For pace soppy "Baron" Pierre de Couber-tin and Chariots of Fire. what has always mattered at the Olympics is winning, not taking part. Pindar, their first (Doric) col-umnist, wrote about the losers "skulking furtively down the back alleys at home, shamed by their loss". But the winner, though a mortal and therefore "a dream of a shadow". bathes in "a ray of sunshine come as a gift from the gods". Or at Atlanta he or she mounts a podium for national anthem, medal and five minutes' television fame. All that matters is being aristos, going for gold.

Athletes fuss about their dier. But they always have. This year at Atlanta the Chinese are complaining about their official menu of spare ribs, jumboburgers and Coke. But 25 centuries ago one of the sprinters insisted on training on a diet of figs, because they made him run faster. Beach volleyball is the new sport this year, with maidens in bright raiment throwing a ball at each other, and provoking the newspapers to suggestive puns about Silicone Volley. But there is nothing new under the Olympic sun. Beach ball played by scantily clad maidens may seem new to Atlanta, but it is one of the oldest games. Princess Nausicaa and her maidens were playing it on the beach at Phaeacia when they were interrupted by Odysseus. the first streaker in history.

Our man from The Times at the Atlanta Olympics, Quentin Letts, is being given a roasting by the American media for allegedly negative reporting. Instead of praising the winners in the style of Pindar, he and his colleagues have reported the traffic gridlock in downtown Atlanta, the Olympic computer that gurgitates such unpersuasive statistics as a heavyweight boxer 6cm high, and other cock-up and chaos inevitable at such a crowded and contentious meeting. There is a precedent for shooting the Pindar. In 1861, our special correspondent to Washington, William Howard Russell, made himself so unpopular with Americans by his candid account of the shambles and panic at the Battle of Bull Run that he had to seek sanctuary in the British Embassy.

Once Britain wins a few medals, our hacks will revert from sarcastic to Pindaric mode: Sons of the golden track in your Nikes, my surest rule is this, when I come to your island to shower you with songs of praise." The modern Olympics may seem to be a contest for chemistry graduates, with steroids running and splashing against cortisone. But the ancient Olympics were also full of cheats. Wrestlers were called lions, from their trick of biting each other when the judges were not looking. When he was Emperor, Nero won more medals than Michelle Smith, even in events which he had not entered. Olympic athletes tripped, tugged each other's shorts (until they were made to run naked in the delusion that this would stop them tugging), took bribes, and were flogged for starting before the flag. There have always been too many silly sports, especially swimming. But when thunder wakes the little dog at 3am, it is a comfort to find the younger son watching gymnastics on the television. My boy, do not seek immortal life, but exhaust the realm of the possible. And enjoy Pindar's rapid cutting and brilliant imagery embedded in impenetrable stuff. For remember the roots of the games are very old and very gnarled.



# I could murder a burger

n all the world's countries certainly in all the very many countries I have visited or even heard of - there are people who are significantly different from the rest. Of course there are vast numbers of "differents" everywhere, from those who love broccoli and yogurt to those who shin up drainpipes, climb through windows and steal jewellery. But I am not talking about that kind of difference: I am talking about those who - in the vulgar - are so different that passers-by are tempted to tap their foreheads as they hurry past. And for reasons I cannot fathom, and I think are not fathomable, almost all of these are to be found in the United States.

Do you remember the tragedy of Jim Jones — "Jonestown" — when this savage madman told his followers to drink poison and that they would therefore go to heaven, whereupon they drank it? Do you remember the nut and his followers burnt themselves to death? Do you know that there was another of these sieges at Ruby Ridge, Idaho? What inspires American people - and people in significant numbers - to believe that they can be made immortal if they follow an obvious lunatic?

I have recently come back from America, where I found myself watching from the wings another of these self-immolations, though happily this one gave up without bloodshed. Happily, yes, but when I tell you that the group had been holding out for eightyone days, and every day could have been a massacre, surely you will agree that there is something about the United States which is not to be found elsewhere. (No, I have not forgotten Dunblane, but that was greatly different from the American blood-

Mind you, when the men and women of the stand-off had filed out peaceably, there was much more to come, because the filers, it turned out, had filed out with millions of dollars in bogus cheques, and when the judge started proceedings, the filers threatened to kill him. So if you were thinking that the Freemen (that is what they call themselves) should be patted on the head. you should take care that they don't bite you. For those amazing people who held out for 81 days were, in blunt British terms, a pack of more or less dotty libertarian extremists. Outside, the

Obsessive personalities can be found in every country, but intense

Americans take extremes to extremes

loonies and semi-loonies were having a high old time: the publisher of the farright (and how far-right!) magazine Free
American was saying "It's just another
small part of how the Government keeps
America divided."

Now I started by saying that the United States has peculiar ideas and is ont shy of exhibiting them. But that is the terrible side of our friendly cousins. There is, of course, a side to America which exhibits no violence. But I am not just measuring the violent side and the peaceful side. I want to examine another extraordinary facet of the United States.

And I know no other country that uses enormous intensity not just the bright side as well. (I once listed countries by the number of murders by handguns a year — the list read: Britain 33; Sweden 36; Switzerland 97; Cana-

da 128; Australia 13; Japan 60, and the United States 13,220. I doubt if there has been any substantial change.)

ut return to the matter of intensity. Of course, we would classify murder under the flag of intensity - what else could it be called? But the very strange thing is that American intensity is just as strong when it is contemplating murder as when it is contemplating a McDonald's, and I say that not as a grim gibe. For I shall now put the two together, and tell me whether there is a not a clear and distinct similarity between them. Be-tween the two? Between a passion of men out of control with savage violence and others mildly asking for their fondest bun to be improved? Yes, and you might note that each of these two items from the newspapers — the story of the mad savages and the story of the popular comestible - took up the same number of pages: five.

have to admit immediately that I have never eaten a McDonald's meal, or indeed entered one of its speckless eateries, and this goes for Burger King as well, to say nothing about Wimpy (surely the man who invented it?); but before the McDonald's lawyers - I bet they have thousands and thousand of them - descend upon me, saying that I have said wicked things about their immaculate foodstuff, I must say that I do not propose to say anything at all about the nature or taste or quality of this no doubt delicious sweetmeat. All I propose to do is to discuss the almost It comes under the heading of intensity. incredible lengths that McDonald's will

go to to promote a new Бигдет. I said five pages, and I meant it. True, we are talking about what happens in the United States, but the very new American Mc-Donald's kick-off itself

is enough to make

your head swim: many ordinary goods and services are helped into the market by a simple giveaway, but what would you say when you discovered (as I did) that as a promotion - promotion! - McDonald's has given away. free, fifty million dollars-worth of burgers?

The new burger (nobody has as yet discussed the possibility of throwing in an ingot of pure gold to go with the burger, but give them time) is called the Arch Deluxe, and although it has gone off pretty well, in the McDonald's boardroom there is apparently a frown or two. Hence the headlines (oh yes, in America burgers are frequently to be found in the headlines) saying "Con-sumers not exactly flipping for new burger", "Arch may not be much of a triumph" and "No one really knows if this sandwich will have legs"

So, solemnly, McDonald's called up the infantry: the Arch Deluxe has got its polling firm. Louis Harris and Associates, and we now have seen what we Now for McDonald's and the precious have seen. For the pollsters have apparently very precious — bun. I American adult population have eaten a McDonald's Arch Deluxe. But that means (because many will have eaten more than one, and very many children have eaten lots and lots) that we must, even more solemnly, say that McDon-ald's Arch Deluxe has been eaten by not less than 80 million people, and the end is not yet in sight.

Then the figures begin to make me reel: 69 per cent said they might eat another: 90 per cent said they would not go to McDonald's more often just because of the Arch Deluxe; 60 per cent prefer the Big Mac to the Arch Deluxe. And do you remember that incredible figure — fifty million dollarsworth free to promote Arch Deluxe? Well, stop remembering the fifty million dollars, because McDonald's has announced that it is going to spend two hundred million dollars to promote the Arch Deluxe.

nd this, dear readers, is nothing but a bun. A bun, moreover, that is not something amazingly new; it is, after all, what oldies like me call a hamburger, viz., chopped steak, a bit of salad and two buns to hold the steak. In even more familiar language, it is a sandwich. I have nothing against a sandwich, but surely nobody would buy one because of its startling newness. Well you and I wouldn't, but 80 million have already done so.

And at last I come round from where I started. Well-cooked steak, I grant you, is hardly a subject to discuss when murder has just been making the running, but please go back to where I started My theme was intensity, which I think - no, I am sure - is woven into all or most countries, but most deeply and darkly into the fabric of America.

Terrible things happen in almost all countries. But the United States takes the prize. It is not just Waco, Ruby Ridge, Jonestown and the vast numbers more. It is something —as I call it — like intensity. And, as I say, it has also a sunlit side. I repeat: all countries have their eccentricities, even if only in their religion. But the United States. I firmly believe, is absolutely sui generis in this matter. And when you think that the matter in hand includes not only hamburgers, but ghastly multiple murderings, surely it is that unique intensity which makes vast pools of blood, and simultaneously makes chopped steak.

# Home rule for the matadors

Magnus Linklater

on the bullfights and bombs of Andalucia

ndeterred by ETA bombs, the tourists are packing into the Plaza de Toros in Puerto Banus, just along the coast from Marbella. They have come to see two of the season's more glamorous matadors: Christina Sanchez, Spain's only female bullfighter, and Mañuel Diaz, who has adopted the name of the great El Cordobes and claims to be his natural son; he certainly has his good looks, if not all his skill.

Over the next two hours they kill six bulls between them: two of them well and cleanly, four indifferently. The crowd rises to Ms Sanchez as she executes her first faena immaculately, then boos and whistles as she struggles to despatch her second bull, failing time after time to thrust the sword home. Finally, and humiliatingly, a male torero finishes the job for her. The general view is that she was unlucky with the animals she faced, but for the more macho Spaniards in the audience, it probably served to confirm their opinion that a woman has no place in the ring. Certainly, for sheer flamboyance, it was El Cordobes who stole the show.

Bullfighting either disgusts or thrills. and often it does both. Those in our party who had never seen a corrida before left faintly depressed by an evening which seemed all too often to consist of slaughter by routine rather than ritual. But for the aficionado, this most politically incorrect of spectacles continues to exert an electric fascination: both because the death of a human being is always just a hair's breadth away, and because at its best it still has a dramatic intensity unequalled by any other sport. Spaniards who have been gloomily pre-dicting the decline of builfighting for years are instead witnessing its revival. Two or three fighters of genius, such as Jesulin de Ubrique, are once again drawing the crowds. And in the sierras of Andalucia, where we have been staying, it is so deeply embedded in the culture that to question its legitimacy is to be met with incomprehension.

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ut if Andalucians see nothing incongruous about celebrating death in the ring, they are nevertheless dismayed by ETA's new campaign of death on the beaches. In the past few weeks, the violence has begun spreading south and has reached the resorts of the Costa del Sol. Despite the arrest of a suspected ETA cell this week. the explosion at Reus may signal an escalation which could strike at the heart of tourism, the only industry of major significance in the area. Memories of the terror campaigns of 1979 and 1980. which led to nearly 200 deaths in Spain, are still fresh, and there is little or no sympathy with Basque separatists who believe that a resumption of violence is the only way of achieving independence.

It is not that Andalucia itself is hostile to autonomy. Like the other provinces of Spain it has adopted devolution with enthusiasm, even though it has no tradition of separate nationhood, and has never been a single entity. Indeed in 1980, when Adolfo Suarez, then Spain's Prime Minister, called a referendum on Andalucia's future and suggested a slow and gradual route towards autonomy, the electorate voted against him. Nearly two-thirds voted for the faster route, turning out in larger numbers than either the Basques or the Catalans. And when, despite this, Suarez used a single poor result in Almeria to reject the vote, there was such fury that new laws had to be introduced to give the Andalucians what they wanted.

ixteen years on, Andalucia is still struggling economically. It is Spain's poorest province, with an unemployment rate of 28 per cent, and it is beset by corruption. As an industrially deprived area within the EU, it has received large injections of European aid, which have opened up its transport system and helped to develop tourism. It continues to press for a larger share of Spain's wealth, and although it has not yet succeeded, there is little evidence that this has encouraged thoughts of pressing for greater independence. The Nationalist Party has rarely won more than a small percentage of votes. Anda-lucia remains determinedly socialist.

Parallels with Scotland are hard to resist, and those who cite Catalonia, Spain's wealthiest province, as a model for devolution might find it more instructive to look at Andalucia. However poor it remains, the principle of decentralisation seems as natural as a

love of bullfighting.

For those who visit Andalucia in search of something more than the corrida or the sangria-drenched resorts of the Costa del Sol, there is much to admire about the independence of spirit in an area which still strikes one as remarkably free from European influence. The little whitewashed villages, high in the sierras, are as much Moorish as Spanish. Despite the new roads, they seem almost as isolated as they were when the British writer Gerald Brenan went to live there in the 1920s. Explaining to the villagers that he had served in the Great War, he found that they all assumed he had been fighting the Moors.

Andalucia is now a part of modern Europe, but it retains what Brenan described as "a certain modicum of anarchy and non-compliance". And he added: "It is still true that south of the Pyrences one finds a society that puts the deeper needs of human nature before the technical organisation that is required to provide a higher standard of living." That may explain why it prefers to seek its own route to economic viability, rather than the violence and extremism of its Basque compatriots.

# Extra games

SEXUAL SCANDAL has reared its ugly head to add to the chaos at the Olympics. Apparently unimpressed by the traditional abstinence of competing athletes, five members of the Armenian weightlifting team were apprehended on Wednesday night after an incident with a prostitute.

They were arrested following a business transaction with a woman. The discussion was about an exchange of services." explained Bob Brennan, press chief for the organising committee.

The hairy backs were left standing when a lady relieved them of \$100 and sprinted off into the night. Realising that she wasn't coming back, they reacted like grizzlies which had had their bottoms tickled, lumbering off in angry pursuit and ending up eventually at the apartment where she was hiding. "They made such a ruckus when they hammered on the door that a resident phoned the police," said the press chief, adding that they were released.

Atlanta's police have also dealt with a Tunisian boxer seized by lust who fondled "inappropriately" a female tram-driver, and a couple of fencers from the Spanish team who decided to relieve themSo far, no charges have been pressed, but in puritanical Georgia it can only be a matter of time.

## On her toes

AS REPORTED elsewhere, we now have an insight into the Duchess of York's behaviour as patron of the Motor Neurone Disease Association. This comes courtesy of an article in The Spectator



"It's only a week since we removed her HRH

selves in the presence of women.

ginger albatross.

I wonder if Dominic, who writes of a disorganised Duchess cracking jokes about her overdraft durboard meetings, ever discussed shared experiences with the Duchess - for he, too, has had his toes sucked. In The Sun four years ago, under the banner headline "She gave a great toe job", he talked of spending the night on a sofa with David Mellor's former lover, Antonia de Sancha. "Sucking guys' toes was all part of her mucking about . . . She was a delightful eccentric, beautiful,"

written by my friend Dominic

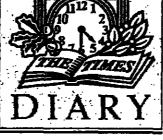
Prince, who co-founded the associ-

ation and sits on its board with the

 Devotees of Alexander Pope are hoping that his grotto at Twickenham can be restored. The subterranean hideaway, which was put up for sale by the Sisters of Mercy, has been bought by a school. Pope readers are relieved that property developers have not got their hands on the Thames-side site and Lord Rothschild has been looking at it with a view to his National Heritage Memorial Fund providing cash for restoration.

## Track record

THERE has been a motoring accident. Involved were a Ferrari FSO. London to a filthy standstill one of the fastest road cars in the yesterday, London Transport's PR



world, a high-ranking official at London's Liberian Embassy and a concrete bollard.

The diplomat had taken the F50, worth £500,000 and capable of more than 200 mph, for a spin round a racetrack owned by the Ministry of Defence in Chobham, Surrey. Cruising at 80mph, crrrrrunch, he crashed into the bollard. The damage is estimated at £100,000, while the car will have to be packed off to the Ferrari workshops in Maranello, in northern Italy, to be repaired.

At the Liberian Embassy, a diplomat answers the phone as though he has a knile to his neck. "Your research is very good," says an abrupt charge d'affaires. "But

 As the vulgar greed of London Underground's drivers brought

department announced a new range of Poems on the Underground. One of the poems soon to adorn the trains is called Apology, by Mimi Khalvati, while another work has been brought back by popular demand: Byron's So we'll go no more a roving.

## Who's write?

AT THE request of Tara Palmer-Tomkinson, ski-lift partner of the Prince of Wales and according to this week's Spectator, an haut intellectuel. PHS is eating humble pie. I suggested the other day that, in the battle between her hot pants and her mind, the hot pants win every time.

As evidence, I related a story of her mistaking a soldier in the Life Guards for a man who patrols a beach. She has chastised me in newspaper and magazine columns for reproducing the story. explaining that she was in fact talking with David Hasselhof, the Nietzsche behind the breasts and heachwear series Baywatch. Those heavy-thighed sorts who dismiss her by her old nickname of 'plank" are clearly just jealous.

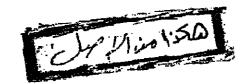
For all her intelligence, howev er, the crispness of her prose in The Spectator yesterday surprised those who have encountered her across a canapé tray. A voice inside The Spectator confirmed that



Hasselhof beach Nietzsche

it is not all her own work but something of a cobbled-together effort. "We've created the Piltdown

◆ Advance notice reaches me of a fringe meeting to be held at this year's Tory party conference in Bournemouth A buffet lunch will be served as delegates listen to an address entitled "Obesity: a plague for the 21st century — fat or fiction". The speaker is a Professor Michael Lean.





## **HOTSPUR'S HOUR**

Portillo vs Clarke in the £4 billion defence stakes

The relief written all over Michael Portillo's face yesterday gave the lie to the pretence on all sides that in the banle preceding the award of E4 billion worth of defence contracts, he and Kenneth Clarke had spent the past few weeks merely firming up minor details. The core of the dispute was over the Treasury's determination to exact further cuts in defence as part of its search for across-the-board spending cuts this year.

The Chancellor would not have fought so strenuously to defer the announcement until the autumn had he not hoped that by folding consideration of them into the inter-departmental bargaining of the present public spending round, some orders could be put on indefinite hold and the costs of others heavily pruned.

Both militarily and politically, the Defence Secretary was on solid ground. When deep cuts were imposed on the defence budget two years ago under the Front Line First review, the Government promised the forces a period of stability and pledged that sin return for efficiency savings, they would be vastly better equipped. Behind him were ranged the big guns of the British defence industry, together with numerous Tory MPs anxious about factories in their constituencies whose future depended on the decision. The Defence Select Committee, already indignant that last year's defence budget was reduced by more than £600 million after it had been approved, has made the unprecedented threat of refusing to recommend the 1996 White Paper to the House unless ministers rule out further defence cuts.

Yet when the Cabinet postponed its approval of the contracts last Tuesday, the Treasury had all but won. John Major's initial reaction was to tell the two men to sort it out between them - a decision that would have virtually guaranteed postponement. Given the personal and political rivalries between the two ministers. Mr Clarke's sleep will have been little troubled by the

thought that cuts would seriously weaken Mr Portillo's position at Defence, in the Cabinet and in the party.

That would certainly have been the case. Mr Portillo has had some trouble winning the trust of the Services and their stalwart supporters on the Conservative back benches. He has only just emerged from a bruising battle over the privatisation of married quarters. He could ill afford to be publicly forced to retreat. His reputation as a

heavy political hitter was on the line. The decision to go ahead with all three orders not only snatches victory for Mr Portillo from the jaws of defeat; it brings relief to the forces, the defence industry and thousands of defence industry workers. The Government's estimate that 5,000 jobs will be created understates the employment impact; British Aerospace estimates that directly and indirectly, the £2 billion contract to replace the ageing Nimrod maritime patrol aircraft will create or sustain 10,000 jobs. These contracts are also critical to the success of Britain's drive to restore the competitiveness of the European defence industry by greater integration — a strategy which Mr Portillo has vigorously promoted. The award of a new RAF long-range missile to BAe-Matra means that French assent to a merger of the two companies' missile businesses is now assured - and with it, the way is cleared for their joint bid for the huge French state consortium, Thomson-CSF, soon to be privatised.

Mr Portillo was saved, however, only by the 11th-hour intervention of Michael Heseltine - who in most Cabinet line-ups is not the deus ex machina to whom the Defence Secretary would instinctively turn. The determining factor, as it always is with the Deputy Prime Minister, was the political arithmetic of jobs and votes. It is for the other, strategic reasons advanced by Mr Portillo that the Treasury deserved its defeat. But for the Defence Secretary, this crucial victory must be sweet at any price.

## **NETANYAHU'S OFFER**

An Israeli initiative on Lebanon that deserves to prosper

The Middle East is alive with diplomatic activity. After David Levy and Yassir Arafat met on Tuesday, the leader of the Palestine National Authority (PNA) travelled to Damascus for talks with President Assad. Given the minimal contact between Syria and the PLO since 1983, when Mr Assad expelled Mr Arafat and encouraged factional revolt against him, their meeting is striking as the establishment of relations with Likud. Meanwhile, Mr Levy repeated his readiness for direct dialogue with the Syrians. As we report today, Binyanim Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister, has opened a new initiative on the Lebanon.

Perceptions of the new Israeli Government are changing fast. Having been castigated as an implacable opponent of peace, Mr Netanyahu is now being cast in some quarters as barely distinguishable from his predecessor, Shimon Peres.The Prime Minister is entitled to bemusement at these events. As his interview with The Times published today makes clear, he believes that he has been consistent. His stand on substantive issues, he credibly claims, is little different to what it was eight weeks ago when elected. If anything, Mr Natanyahu is perhaps concerned that all this reassessment has gone too far. While there are broad areas of agreement between Likud and Labour - on relations with Jordan and the need to work with the PNA - there is also a significant difference.

Mr Netanyahu does not believe in the principle of land-for-peace where Syria is concerned — not while that nation is in the grip of the Assad dictatorship. He does not favour trading the known security of the Golan Heights for the dubious promise of 🕭 peaceful coexistence. Israel will engage in discussions with Damascus, certainly, but

on the basis of peace-for-peace. Since it is unlikely that Mr Assad will do business on any terms short of total and unconditional control of the Golan, an impasse is likely.

In essence, Mr Netanyahu disputes Mr Assad's contention that no Middle East peace is possible without Syrian blessing. This line has been taken by successive US secretaries of state. It is doubtful whether shuttle diplomacy either by Mr Arafat or the Americans will alter his position. The danger for Israel lies not in what Syria might do directly but by the trouble it can create through its proxies in the Lebanon. The country is an effective protectorate of Damascus, with 35,000 Syrian troops on its soil. Hezbollah exists, and acts, largely on Mr Assad's say-so. Its resumed attacks on Israeli citizens earlier this year triggered a chain of events that nearly derailed the entire peace process. The distinctly patchy deal that was then supervised by Warren Christopher may not last. If Israel makes advances in talks with other parties, Syria may allow, indeed encourage, Hezbollah to resume rocket attacks in the belief that Israel will be forced to choose between a process that meets Mr Assad's demands or the risk of no peace at all.

Mr Netanyahu is seeking to pre-empt such blackmail with his "Lebanon First" offer, the withdrawal of Israel's occupying troops from southern Lebanon in return for the total disarmament of Hezbollah. It is a bold challenge - to Lebanon and its Western friends as well as Damascus. Every patch of ground gained for peace in the Middle East is precious. Mr Assad should be left in no doubt that this is an offer that Syria cannot sabotage without seriously compromising his claims to be serious about an overall settlement in the Middle East.

## **SHORT SHRIFT**

Opposition spokespersons have to be team players

Like an adolescent staying out ever later at night, Clare Short has been testing the limits of Tony Blair's tolerance. Yesterday she found them. Having achieved the results he wanted in the Shadow Cabinet elections, the Labour leader decided to teach his colleagues a few lessons. Most in need of them was the Shadow Transport Secretary.

With precision timing, Ms Short had stormed out of a television interview the previous day because she was asked a question about the London Underground strike. Ostensibly she was angry because she had been led to believe that the discussion would be about a different railway line. But for the Opposition transport spokeswoman to refuse to answer transport questions on a southeast regional programme the day before a Tube strike beggars belief.

Ms Short is an engaging politician. Her personality is huge, her exuberance infectious. Politicians on both sides of the House like her and so do voters. They appreciate her honesty and enjoy listening to her say te unsayable. But parties are not simply collections of individuals. There is such a thing as collective responsibility, which has to be adhered to if Government and Opposition are to function tolerably well. Ms Short has breached this principle too many times for her to claim that it was accidental. If Labour is to have a chance of winning the next election, it must be united. This applies particularly to the front bench.

Her disagreement over the Tube strike was much more serious than those on cannabis or tax. Mr Blair and several of his colleagues had quite clearly said that the dispute should go to arbitration. This position had already been agreed in Shadow Cabinet. If new Labour is to stand for anything, it is for putting the interests of the consumer above those of the producer: in this case, backing the passengers not the striking drivers. Ms Short was not just visibly uncomfortable with this position. She could not even bring herself to support it on television. That will not do. If she cannot go along with a party line in Opposition, what will she be like in Government?

Ms Short is clearly furious with the way in which she has been demoted. She argues that because she came third in the Shadow Cabinet poll she deserves a senior job. But those elections, as ever, were rigged. Ms Short adds to the gaiety of British politics. If she could turn her energy to good purpose and learn some self-discipline, she could be a highly effective politician. In the meantime, she will have to content herself with Overseas Development. And there she should be safe: at least in that industry there are no trade unions.

Sir, The transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs), including BSE

This widespread ignorance has fre-quently produced misleading public pronouncements, a very common example of which is the statement, made by a member of the committee advising the Government on BSE, Professor Jeff Almond (report, July 23, later editions): "We know that scrapie, which has been around for centuries, poses no risk to humans." We know no such thing. What we know is that scrapie has never been shown to pose a risk to humans, a very different

Before 1986, when our cattle were first infected with the ovine TSE called scrapie, and so developed bovine TSE, scrapie was the only reservoir of the "slow virus" from which humans could conceivably have been infected to develop CJD, the human TSE. The fact that we still lack proof of this route of infection does not exclude its existing.

tional for abattoir workers routinely to leave the brains of sheep inside the skulls so that sheep's brains (unlike cattle brains before 1989) never went into our "meat products" but, remaining inside the skulls, infected our cattle with "BSE" instead. Not so with sheep spinal cords, however, which is why I stated in my evidence to the House of Commons Select Committee on Agriculture in June 1990 that those who always eat the spinal cord fragment out of the lamb chop (and who are genetically susceptible) will devel-op CJD after the usual long incubation period.

The sheep offal ban proposed by the Farm Commissioner, Franz Fischler (report, July 24), will result in these fragments of spinal cord, like the brains, being absent from our dinner plates and is entirely to be welcomed.

H. C. GRANT, July 24.

From Mr Aidan Harrison

Sir, It would be virtually impossible to which have consumed anything other than their mother's milk and grass.

The "theoretical risk" of BSE in sheep which are fed banned unnatural substances in a laboratory is no more relevant than the potential ill effect on the health of scientists and politicians if they were forced to eat grass.

AIDAN HARRISON, Morrelhirst, Netherwitton, Morpeth, Northumberland.

Labour democracy From Mr Mike Thomas

1980s by the hard Left".

broadly based working party of the

of Harold Wilson and his "kitchen Cabinet" in the 1960s and 1970s. posals which I and others in the PLP

select MPs and elect the leader by "one member one vote". the democratic foundation of "new

nonsense of the electoral college. The Left did Labour enormous damage during this period but the stubborn resistance to change of the

Yours faithfully. MIKE THOMAS (MP for Newcastle upon Tyne East: Labour, 1974-81; SDP. 1981-83). Milton Lodge Iver, Buckinghamshire.

Stone of Scone

Sir, Mr Cowe's suggestion (letter, July 24) that the Stone of Destiny be depos-

Yours faithfully PETER G. VASEY. 78 West Holmes Gardens, Musselburgh, Lothian. July 24.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Scrapie and BSE link with humans?

From Dr Helen Grant

(bovine spongiform encephalopathy), scrapie, CJD (Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease) and kuru, are caused by a uniquely mysterious infective micro-organism, the "scrapie agent", which is poorly understood by scientists, let alone the general public.

matter.

In the UK it has always been tradi-

Yours faithfully. 10 Antrim Grove, NW3.

find any British sheep amongst the millions now being sold for fresh meat

Yours faithfully,

Sir, Gerald Kaufman's memory is at fault ("Labour's comedy of shadows", July 25). The arrangement whereby members of the Shadow Cabinet are entitled to Cabinet places in the event

of a Labour victory was not one of "the democratic reforms imposed in the It was the recommendation of a

Parliamentary Labour Party (of which I was myself a member) in which the Centre and Right had a majority. It was born of a widespread revulsion in the PLP against the cronyism

The Centre of the party allied with the Left at this period to reject the pro-(many of whom subsequently left Lab-our to found the SDP) had made to

The former process now is hailed as Labour": the latter is being stumbled towards as the party still struggles to extract itself from the undemocratic

Labour establishment was one of their greatest allies.

July 25.

From Mr Peter G. Vasey

ited in Berwick-upon-Tweed is an excellent one - provided that Berwick, too, could be restored to Scotland, as it too was appropriated by Edward I in 1296.

be faxed to 0171-782 5046.

## Time to remedy the law's delays

From the Editor of The Western Mail

and the control of th

Sir, Lord Woolf, the Master of the Rolls, is on the point of producing his report on the whole structure and procedure of the civil courts. Such a review will not be before time.

The Western Mail, along with three other newspapers, was recently involved in an interlocutory hearing in the Court of Appeal, in which a litigant in person was appealing against a stri-king-out order from a lower court. The case was listed to last a day.

But the proceedings which followed with the judges involved appearing to have little concern for the time and cost of the hearing - horrified me. The appeal lasted into a second day which I consider should not have been necessary, and seriously increased the

The case could, in my view, have been kept to one day if the court was set up to work a full business day and keep a focus on its raison d'être. But there were lengthy interruptions dur-ing the course of the day, and by 4.30pm, when the court rose, we were nowhere near finishing. There was no suggestion that we stay until the early evening to finalise matters, as would have happened in almost every other aspect of life; the nearest to it was the announcement that we would start early the following day — at 10am! The case eventually finished at 3.15pm on the second day and judgment was

Surely the courts need to have a much better regard for those involved in cases and the costs they are incur-ring. They need to be run in as efficient a way as possible - and not in a way that, in my opinion, recalls some of the worst inefficiencies and excesses of British industry in the 1950s and

This is said not out of disrespect for the law and the judges involved — of course justice is paramount, and of course justice, ultimately, must be seen to be done - but in recognition of the commercial reality of the situa-

Yours faithfully, NEIL FOWLER, Editor, The Western Mail. Thomson House. Havelock Street, Cardiff. July 24.

## Court rules on naming defendants

From Mr D. J. Cassell

Sir, Editors of all sections of the media are giving encouragement, inadvertently, to those who would seek to ban the naming of defendants in criminal

I refer to the fact that hardly a day passes when one does not read or hear that, for legal reasons, those under the age of 18 involved as defendants in proceedings in magistrates' or crown courts "cannot be named for legal rea-

Unlike those under 18 appearing before youth courts, juveniles or young persons appearing before an adult court can be named unless the magistrate(s) or judge makes a Section 39 or-der under the Children & Young Persons Act 1933 imposing a ban on identification of a person under 18.

Quite often in cases involving those under 18 which lead to a feeling of disquiet among the public, offenders are not named in reports, although no indication is given as to the reason for

this anonymity. Quite often it is because editors assume there is a blan-ket ban on identification, although my colleagues on the Law Board of the National Council for the Training of Journalists and myself are of the opinion that Section 39 orders are not made automatically and it is often ignorance of the law in this respect which leads editors to think there is an automatic ban.

If the media allows this misapprehension to be perpetuated, it may not be long before there is a campaign for a ban on naming all defendants un-less the court makes a contrary order. on the grounds of discrimination against those aged over 18.

Yours etc. D. J. CASSELL (Chairman, Law Board). National Council for the Training of Journalists. Latton Bush Centre, Southern Way, Harlow, Essex.

It proved far from the plain sailing

suggested by the Chairman's letter. I

recall frequent opposition, behind the

scenes, from those who refused to ac-

cept that there was any problem

worth addressing, despite the grow-

ing body of evidence on discrimina-

Those attending this year's Bar con-

ference, "Shaping the Future: the Way

Forward for the Bar", will see that

there is not a single woman barrister

in private practice among the sched-

uled speakers. Even the panel on hu-

man rights is all-male. When is the

Bar Council going to start putting the

## Women lawyers

From Miss Barbara Hewson

Sir, I read with interest the letter from the Chairman of the Bar (July 18) on what is being done to promote equality for women barristers.

The underlying problem (which Mr Penry-Davey does not acknowledge) lies. I feel, in the institutionalised complacency among those at the top: benchers of the Inns of Court who continue to operate like private men's clubs, senior QCs who see no reason to change the system of secret soundings, heads of chambers who see the equality code as "politically correct nonsense"; barristers' clerks who refuse to accept that discrimination is a

I was involved in the Bar Council's equality initiatives from 1992 to 1995.

## problem; and so on. Gray's Inn, WCi.

From Sir Roger Moate,

MP for Faversham (Conservative) Sir. Your obituary of James Tye (July 24; letter, July 25) threw considerable light on the achievements of this considerable personality. The British Safety Council, which he founded, has a very high profile, particularly with regard to the National Safety Awards

which it gives to British industry. However, it is only one of a number of such bodies, including the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents. I am sure there are many who would see the advantage of there being just one major national organis-ation responsible for the principal industrial safety awards. This would surely enhance the status and value of such awards in this crucial field of in-

Perhaps this is the moment when those most directly concerned could consider how best this objective could

Yours faithfully ROGER MOATE. House of Commons. July 25.

## Is anybody there?

From Mr C. A. Latimer

Sir, Sir Isaiah Berlin tells us (article, July 19) that Bertrand Russell, when asked what he would say if confronted with God when dead, replied "I would - well, why on earth didn't you give better evidence of your exis-

To my mind, God could have very reasonably replied, "Come on, Russell, don't be stupid, you can do better than that. If I gave better evidence. how could I claim to be a God 'whose service is perfect freedom', which you will find in your Book of Common Prayer, if you ever read it?"

Russell is always given credit for huge intelligence, but sometimes one wonders.

Yours faithfully, C. A. LATIMER. 3 The Street, Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk. July 21.

I remain, Sir, yours sincerely, BARBARA HEWSON, 12 Gray's Inn Square,

ory into practice?

## Safety awards Aldeburgh statue

From the President of the

Royal Society of British Sculptors Sir, No one can argue with the fact that Benjamin Britten put Aldeburgh on the map as an international cultural centre. What may not immediately occur to the town councillors who oppose the erection of a statue to him freport. July 24) is what sort of contribution he made and continues to make to the financial health of their own com-

Local business and commerce benefit from the wealth brought by visitors who attend music festivals and inevitably some of this finds its way into improving the facilities and standard of living for the local population. Culture

is not just good for the soul, it's good for the pocket too. I hazard a guess that if Aldeburgh's councillors took I per cent of the money generated by the music festival they would have enough to build their bird table, plant their tree and commission sculpture to honour George Crabbe, Elizabeth Garrett-Anderson and Benjamin Britten.

Yours sincerely MAURICE BLIK. President. Royal Society of British Sculptors, Dora House, 108 Old Brompton Road, SW7.

## Olympic spirit

From Mr John Harris

July 25.

Sir, Isn't it rather ripe of the British media to snipe at the transport diffi-culties at the Olympic Games in At-lanta (reports, July 23) whilst Londoners are continuing to experience travelling frustrations during the one-day Tube strikes?

Perhaps a few British medal successes will help us focus on the true spirit of the Olympic Games.

Yours faithfully, JOHN HARRÍS, 46 Oakfield Road, Harpenden. Hertfordshire. July 25.

## An outsider in the saint stakes

From Mr David Gould

Sir. Mr and Mrs Cooper's well-intentioned letter about William Morris (July 23) would have drawn some pungent remarks from him. After leaving Oxford in 1856 Morris abandoned any thoughts of a career in the Church, and in middle life his political allegiance was towards communism.

He became a professed agnostic. Morris had immense energy and, after reading Marx, he threw himself wholeheartedly for some ten years into the communist cause, speaking at meetings all over the country. This amazed his friends, and many of them played down the matter after his death as a deplorable aberration. Nevertheless, his political work was as important a part of his life as his de-

corative work and his poetry. As for Morris's "exemplary life", he was short-tempered, stamping and shouting, on one occasion throwing one of his incompetent workmen into a vat of green dye. And his wife had the table legs screwed to the floor to prevent him from restlessly overturning it during his heated rages. Bernard Shaw, as usual, must have had his tongue in his cheek when he sug-

gested calling Morris a saint. Yours faithfully, DAVID GOULD, South Woodchester, Gloucestershire.

## Plans for Stonehenge

From Mrs Jack Hillier

July 24.

Sir. In the past, on a long drive west, we would stop near Stonehenge for a picnic breakfast and marvel at its soli-

tary mystery. It therefore seems a cruel celebration of the millennium to build a £65 million theme park there (report, July 20) under the aegis of English Heri-

Each year police are used to keep "travellers" away, but now 1.8 million visitors are to be welcomed. Sincerely. MARY HILLIER,

Meadville, Redhill, Surrey.

## The sound and the fury

From Mr Kelvin Nel .

30 Clarence Road

July 20.

heartedly agree with Geoff Brown (article, Arts, July 23) that some film soundtracks can combine a high decibel level with a low standard of clarity and audibility. But I dispute his assertion that "in Britain we are more likely to follow the bad habit of suffering in

It is a myth that the British public don't complain. However cinemas, as

exhibitors, are the middle men. The director and/or distributor order us to play their films at particular sound levels, which often deafen our audiences. We get the complaints, but the people who need to be told to be

quiet are the distributors. Yours sincerely, KELVIN NEL, Manager, The Plaza, Lower Regent Street, SWI. July 23.

## Title deeds

From Mr John Elworthy Sir, Brian MacArthur's summary of Fleet Street's campaign to reinstate the title HRH to the Princess of Wales (article, Media and Marketing, July 24) caused me to wonder why the fourth estate shouldn't declare UDI and continue to refer to her as Her Royal Highness. Apart from banishment to the Tower I can see little the

Palace could do. At the very least those of us who enjoy such melées could look forward to a truly majestic summer of discontent.

Yours faithfully, JOHN ELWORTHY. The Chequers Country Inn. Eriswell, Suffolk.

July 24.

## Trade descriptions

From Mr Thomas McLaughlin Sir, Flight Officer Mark Ashford's views (letter, July 22) may be near "the leading edge" but, were I his passen-ger, I should prefer them to be based on hands-on experience.

Yours faithfully. THOMAS McLAUGHLIN, 4 Munro Road, Jordanhill, Glasgow.

July 22. From Mr Simon Mace Sir, As a wine broker I suppose my views might be described as "scraping the barrel" or reflecting those heard

"on the grapevine". I remain, Sir, yours faithfully, SIMON MACE, 15 Cheyne Walk, SW3.

From Mr Paul R. Rawson Sir, An accountant's view is "balanced", a farmer's "down to earth", a judge's "determined", a pugilist's "chailenging". Yours faithfully, PAUL R. RAWSON,

Springwood, Audlem. Cheshire.

July 22.



## **COURT CIRCULAR**

Party in the Garden of Bucking-

The Prince of Wales was present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentle-

men-at-Arms and The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeoman of the

The Duke of Edinburgh, Honor-

ary Life Member and Past President of Marylebone Cricket Club,

this morning attended the Test Match between England and Paki-

stan at Lord's Ground, London

His Royal Highness, President, World Wide Fund for Nature -

WWF International, this evening

gave a Dinner at Buckingham

By Command of The Queen. Vice-Admiral Sir James Weatherall (Marshal of the Dip-

lomatic Corps) called upon His Excellency U Hla Maung at 19A Charles Street, London WI, this

morning in order to bid farewell to His Excellency upon relinquishing

his appointment as Ambassador

from the Union of Myanmar

(Burma) to the Court of St James's. ST JAMES'S PALACE

July 25: The Prince of Wales. Honorary Air Commodore, Royal

Air Force Valley, this morning

received Group Captain David Ray upon relinquishing his appointment as Officer

Commanding, and Group Captain

Martin Jones upon assuming the

Air Commodore, Royal Air Force

Valley, afterwards received Flight

Lieutenant Egryn Huskisson and

presented him with The Prince of Wales Trophy, which is awarded annually for tactical navigation

The Queen has been graciously

pleased to appoint Mr Andrew

MacKay MP as Treasurer of Her Majesty's Household and Mr

Derek Conway MP as Vice-Chamberlain of Her Majesty's

His Royal Highness, Honorary

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** July 25: Mr Peter Hartley was received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Serjeant-at-Arms and Secretary, Lord Chamberlain's Office.

His Excellency Mr Benjamin Masilo was received in audience by Her Majesty and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for the Kingdom of Lesotho in

Mrs Masilo was also received by The Oueen. Sir John Coles (Permanent

Under-Secretary of State for For-eign and Commonwealth Affairs) Sir Peter Gregson (tormer Permanent Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry) was re-

ceived by Her Maiesty. Sultan Qaboos bin Said Al Said, Sultanate of Oman visited The Queen and The Duke of Edinourgh and remained to Luncheon.

The Prince of Wales was present. The following were invited: His Excellency Mr Hussain Ali Excellency Mr Hussain Ali Abdullatif (Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman). Brigadier Timothy Landon (Personal Ad-viser to The Sultan of Oman). Sir John Coles, Mr Richard Muir and

The Rt Hon Gregory Knight MP was received by Her Majesty and delivered up his Wand of Office upon relinquishing his appointment as Treasurer of the Household.

Mr Andrew MacKay MP was received by The Queen and deliv-ered up his Wand of Office upon relinquishing his appointment as Vice-Chamberlain of the House-hold and received from Her Majesty his Wand of Office upon his appointment as Treasurer of the

Household. Mr Derek Conway MP was received by The Queen upon his appointment as Vice-Chamberlain of the Household and received from Her Majesty his Wand of Office.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon

## Today's royal engagements

The Oueen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will open the new business school at Buckingham University at 11.10.

## Reception Lord Mayor of Westmire

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster were the hosts at a Summer reception held yesterday at Westminster Council

## Dinner

Household.

and weaponry.

Fruiterers' Сотрапу

Mr Michael Tanguy, Master of the Fruiterers' Company, assisted by the Wardens, presided at the annual summer court dinner held last night at Innholders' Hall. The Rev Nigel Abbott, Honorary Chaplain, and Mr Ian Rainford also

During the evening the Master presented the company fruit wards to Mr Henry Bryant (Cherry Class) and to Mr Simon Brice and Mr Peter Brice (Soft

## Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Field, composer. Dublin, 1782; Winthrop Mackworth Praed, poet and politician, London, 1802; Alfred Marshall, tor, Tver, Russia, 1874; Carl Gus-Valnaraiso, 1908

of Rochester, poet and courtier, Woodstock, Oxfordshire, 1680; Thomas Osborne, Duke of Leeds,

statesman, Easton, Northampton shire, 1712: John Friend, physician and politician, London, 1728; Samuel Houston, 1st President of the ublic of Texas 1836-8 and 1841-4, Huntsville, Texas, 1863; George Borrow, writer, Oulton, Suffolk, 1881; Sir James Murray, philolo-gist, Oxford, 1915; William Jennings Bryan, political orator, Dayton, Tennessee, 1925; Benja-

After a Labour landslide in the general election. Clement Attlee became Prime Minister. 1945. King Farouk I of Egypt abdicated,

## Trinity Term 1996

## Call Day: July 25 Lincoln's Inn

Miss P Ramsewak, Quatre-Bornes.

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The Bands of The Life Guards
and The Royal Logistic Corps
played selections of music during

Ramasingam, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Miss Yeoh Wai Ling, Peraling Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia; Y F Yusoff, Selangor, Malaysia; Y F Yusoff, Selangor, Malaysia; Miss E Tan Jee Neo, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Miss Peh Xiao-Shan, Singapore: Miss A Sakhrani, Hong Kong: J French, Stoke Golding, Warwicks; Miss K L Cordes, Freeport, Bahamas; Miss V Rajwani, Hong Kong: D Loi Chai Wei, Singapore: Miss J C Lowther, Barnet, Herts; Khor Wee Siong, Singapore; Miss S A Timothy, Nassau, Bahamas; S P John, Haverfordwest, Pembroke: S K Govindan, Sungai Siput, Malaysia; S C Graham, Darlington, Co Durham; J John, Selangor, Malaysia; Miss Lee Chin Theng, Kunla Lumpur, Malaysia; Miss Low Peck Yin, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Ang Woon Kherk, Singa-Miss Low Peck Yin, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Ang Woon Kherk, Singapore: P Ramalingam, Singapore; Miss M N James, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Miss T Thiagarajah, Singapore; Lau Teik Soon, Singapore: M Abu Bakar, Singapore; Miss Lew Chen Chen, Singapore; Ling Chun Wai, Hong Kong; Miss Shin Su Wen, Hong Kong; Cheong Yuk Leung, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Miss Han Chin May, Johor, Malaysia; D Kor Yit Meng, Selangor, Malaysia: Miss J Lau Aye Lin, Singapore; J Fernandez, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunci: Jagjit Sing Gill, Begawan, Brunei: Jagjit Sing Gill, Singapore: Gurcharanjit Singh s/o Dewan Singh, Singapore: E Sia Wei Keong, Johor, Malaysia; Miss Y Coh

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## Calls to the Bar

Kaur, Singapore: Miss R K Nagreh, Penang, Malaysia; J Tan See Leh, Singapore: Miss Chua Huey Sian, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia; G Seiangor Larvit Erisan, wamysa; or Wong Yun Wah, Hong Kong, Miss Tuh Su Fen, Singapore; Miss Tay Sock Kheng, Singapore; Miss S Yap Mac-Yen, Singapore; Miss H P Abdullah, Jalan Muara, Brunci Addulari, Jajan Wilara, bronet Darussalam; Miss Neoh Hong Sean, Selangor, Malaysia; Miss Choo Mei Yuin, Penang, Malaysia; Miss D A Tolia, Nairobi, Kenya; Miss Chin Tze

Jin, Selangov, Malaysia.

Miss D Wong Chin Wuen, Kuala
Lumpur, Malaysia; Miss J Chia
Shau Ken, Sahah, Malaysia; Miss L
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## Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. Eccles and Miss W.L. Man

The engagement is announced between Martin, son of the late Mr Bernard Eccles and of Mrs Alice Eccles, of Wath-upon-Dearne, Yorkshire, and Wai Ling, eldest daughter of the late Mr Leung Lok Man and of Mme Lan Mok. of Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong

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Chairman ...

Kong. Mr A.M.I. Jones and Miss P.J. Seckington

The engagement is announced between Andrew, eldest son of Dr and Mrs Malcolm Jones, of Dorrington. Lincolnshire. and Philippa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Seckington, of Langham, Rutland,

Mr G.T. Kime and Miss E.K. Potter The engagement is announced between Giles, son of the Rev Thomas and Mrs Kime, of Winchester, Hampshire, and Kate, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Potter, of Compton, West Sussex.

Mr E.C.G. Miller and Miss M.C. Royde The engagement is announced between Edward, elder son of Mr and Mrs William Miller, of Beckenham, Kent, and Melissa, elder daughter of Mr Michael Royde, of London, and Mrs Penelope Royde,

of Goodrich, Herefordshire. Mr J.G.W. Portway and Miss F. Magee The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr N.W.€ Portway and Mrs S.M. Noakes, of Combs. Suffolk, and Fiona, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.A.

Magee of Dublin, Ireland. Mr C.E.R.C. Rhodes and Miss C.L.C. Dolby

the engagement is announced between Charles, only son of Colonel Sir Basil and Lady Rhodes, of Baslow, Derbyshire. and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H.C. Dolby, of Whitchurch-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Mr R.H. Ward and Miss A.J. Spindler

The engagement is announced between Roger Hamilton, younger son of the late Mr John Hamilton Ward and of Mrs Peggy Ward, of Findon Valley, West Sussex, and Alison Jane, younger daughter of Mr Kenneth Spindler and the late on-Thames, Oxfordshire. The marriage will take place on September 14, 1996, in St Mary's, Isles of Scilly.

Mr R.R.J. Whitelaw and Miss S.E. Barraclough The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Mrs Elizabeth Whitelaw, of London. and Sally, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Barraclough, of

## School news

Mirfield, Yorkshire,

Winchester House School, Brackley, Northamptonshire The Governors are pleased announce the appointment of Mr J.R.G. Griffith of Windlesham House School to the Headmastership of Winchester House School, from the beginning of September 1997 upon the retirement of Mr. D.R. Speight aft twenty two years.

## Blacksmiths' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Blacksmiths' Company for the ensuing year. Prime Warden, Mr Rodney Lyons; Renter Warden, Mr Timothy S. Herring: Fourth Warden, Mr James Latham; Third Warden, Mr Clifford S.B. Champion.

Weavers' Company The following have been elected officers of the Weavers' Company

for the ensuing year: Upper Bailiff. Mr S.A.A. Block:

economist, London, 1842; George Bernard Shaw, dramatist, Dublin, 1856; Serge Koussevitsky, conductav Jung, psychologist, Kesswyl, Germany, 1875; André Maurois, povelist and biographer, Elbeuf France, 1885: Aldous Huxley, novelist, Godalming, Surrey, 1894; Robert Graves, poet and novelist, London, 1895; Paul Gallico, novlist, New York, 1897: Salvador Allende, President of Chile 1970-73, DEATHS: John Wilmot, 2nd Earl

min Whorf. anthropologist, Wetherfield, Connecticut, 1941: George Gallup, pioneer of public opinion polis, Switzerland, 1984. New York became the 11th state of

# Birthdays today

Sir Peter Carey, former Permanent Secretary, DTI, 73; Mrs Pauline Clare, Chief Constable of Lancashire, 49; Mr Blake Edwards, film director and producer, 74; Sir Peter Hall, diplomat, 58; Mr J.W. Howard, Prime Minister of Australia, 57; Miss Barbara Jefford, actress, 66. Dr John Kilgour, former director

of prison medical services. Home Office, 72; Mr Stanley Kubrick, film producer and director. 68; Professor James Lovelock, scientist. 77: Dr Brian Mawhinney, chairman of the Conservative Party. 56; Miss Helen Mirren, actress, 51; Baroness Oppenheim-Barnes, 66: Mr Lance Percival. ctor and singer, 63: Professor Sir Keith Peters, physiciari, 58; Sir Frank Price, former chairman. British Waterways Board, 74; Sir Derek Riches, diplomat, 84; Mr A.M.F. (Sandy) Ross, former managing-director. Mary Quant, 65; Mr Kenneth Snowman, antiquarian. 77; Mr M.H.W. Wells, former chairman. Charterhouse Japhet, 69: Dr Anne Wright, Vice-Chancellor, Sunderland Univer-

**DEATHS** 



Mick Jagger, Rolling Stones singer, is 53 today

## Girdlers' Company The following have been elected officers of the Girdlers' Company

for the ensuing year: Master, Sir Gordon Pirie; Upper Warden, Mr D.R.L. James; Mid-die Warden, Mr A.R. Westall;

# in 'blind' test

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

Archaeologists win

come through a test designed to show the accuracy of their methods of investigation. The experiment, which has taken two years, was conduct-

ARCHAEOLOGISIS have

archaeological unit, and sponsored by the BBC. The BBC arranged for Old Abbey Mill Farm in Cheshire.

a building with presumed medieval origins, to be examined before the site was used as landfill. The experiment was designed to find out whether traditional excavation techniques and interpretation of data produced accurate details about archaeological sites and their previous uses.

Old Abbey Farm was dismantled, and the site then excavated. Two teams worked

"blind". each not knowing the other's techniques and results, and without access to historical documents. One team dismantled the house and attempted to date it from the

ed by Lancaster University's building style, materials and construction techniques, then the other team came in to dig. The excavators uncovered the foundations and any other buried materials, and had to

describe the building, its age and use. Both teams concluded that Old Abbey Farm had once been an important medieval moated manor, a conclusion supported by the historical documents. Thank-fully the results confirm that the methods upon which most modern archaeology is based are broadly sound," Jason Wood, the unit's assistant

(Blackburn). The Rev Kevin Crinks, Assistant Curate, St Peter and St Paul,

Church news

The Rev Anne Brookfield, Senior

Curate, St Stephen w St Aidan,

Acomb, York (York): to be Priest-

in-charge/Team Vicar designate.

tor. Croston: to be also Bishoo's

Adviser on Health Ministry

St James, Preston (Blackburn).

Aylesford (Rochester): to be Assis tant Curate, Hessle (York). The Rev Patricia Davies, Honorary Curate, Holy Cross. Fenham: to be Honorary Priest-in-charge, St Hugh, Gosforth (Newcastle). The Rev Alan Fishwick, Vicar, St Andrew, Accrington: to be Vicar, St Aidan, Mill Hill, Blackburn

(Blackburn).
The Rev Michael Harris, Chap-lain, University of Central England, Birmingham: to be also Dean of Non-Stipendiary Ministry (Birmingham). The Rev Jonathan Kester, Assis-

tant Curate, St Mary, Cheshunt (St Albans): to be Domestic Chaplain to the Bishop of Edmonton and Honorary Assistant Curate, St Mary Magdalene, Munster Square (London).

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BIRTHS

BAMES - Jonathan Michael Martin, born 23rd July 1996, to Richard and Michelle (Miss Clarke). Thanks to all at Epsom Hountial Hospital. BARNES - Ian and Kathryn

beautiful son Adam James
beautiful son Adam James
George, on 24th July 1996.
BARRY - Robyn Isabel, a
beautiful baby girl, born
7.42mm 19th July 1996 at
The London Hospital, to Paul

Roderick Peter.

DUFFY - On 23rd July 1996, 
to Lorrame (née Daley) and 
Sean, a son, Nian Patrick, a 
brother for Rory. 
Congratulations, waith out 
world the Duffy's have done 
it again. Our very best 
wishes love the Sargents.

DUNCAM - On Late 1679.

William - On July 16th 1996. to Amanda (née Evans) and Andrew, a daughter, Beatrice Rose Francesca, a sister for Isobel and Thomas. HOWARD - On July 25th, to Janice and Andrew. langhter, isabelik Consta Ziot, a sister for Benedic 🖾 - Robert Dean on Jul

Hospital, to Laura and Ethan James.

JELLEY - On 24th July 1996
in Auckland, NZ, to Michael
and Rossind toée Maciorill,
a son, Edward Martyn, a
brother for Thomas and
Reberca.

LJUNGGREN-THOMSEN On 22nd http: 1996 at The

On 22nd July 1996 at The Portland Hospital, to Littlan Thomsen and David ACDORÁLD - On 7th July. to Mary (née Connolly) and James, a son, Robert

# MALLINSON - On 20th Jun 1995, to Helen take Powell and Michael, a son, Sau Antony Terence, a brothe for Lui and Rosanna.

PILLMAN - On July 21st at Plymouth, to Toshi and Rowly, a daughter, Florence.

DEATHS

ALLEN-FROST - Peter at home in Israel after a long times on 19th July aged 54. Journalist and Broadcaster for Kol brael. ITN. IRN. Sky TV News. ABC News and SABC. Will be sadly missed by bis wife Tannial. Jamily in brael and England and many friends around the world. Emeral has taken place.

BANKS - On 20th July, peocefully at home in Bath. Margaret Annie aged 94 years. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Funeral Service on Tuesday 30th July at Haycombe Grematorium. Bath. at 3.30pm. Flowers and enquiries to E. Hooper & Son. tel: (01225) 422040.

BLACKABY - Peter Norman of Watton-on-Thames, idea suddenly in his 76th year, whilst on holiday in Poirusa on July 23rd 1996. Pather of Dorothy. Otiver and Stephen: grandfather of Anna, Joshua. Luite and William: widower of Danhne (née Biles, formerly Haly) and Margaret (née Sandir), Much loved and already tertibly missed. Cremston at Randalis Park, Loatherhead, 3 pm. Friday August 2nd. Flowers to F.W. Chilty. (01932) 84220. Messages C/o Oliver, 13 Archibaid Road, Loadon N7. Goodbye and God bless. BLACKABY - Peter Nort of Walton-on-Thames, o

# **DEATHS** BUCHAN - On July 24th pencehity in his sleep at All Hallows Hospital. Ditchingham. Stevenson Buchan CBE. PhD. FRSE, FGS. in his 90th year beloved hosband of Barbara, dear father of Anne and Stuart. Funeral Service private, family flowers only. Donalions if desired for All Hallows Hospital, Ditchingham. c/o Peter Taylor Funeral Service. 85 Unitank Road, Norwich, tel: (01603) 750787. Thesisagiving Service later.

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BUSWELL - Peter Croft on July 18th after a short lilness. suddenly at Stillington Hall, Glotstester Mass., USA, Much loved by Barbara, Parueta, Gerald and

CLIBBORN - Denovan Harold CMG. suddenly in Barcelona. Spain, on 24th July 1996. Former HM Consul General Barcelona and HM Ambanador San Salvador. Loving husband of Victoria (and of the late Margarat "Mey" nie Nelsoni, beloved Cather of John, issbel and Enrick and loved grandfather. Private family fumeral service will take grandfather. Private sames funeral service will take place in Burcelona on Friday

CORIK - Barbara, of The Lee.
Great Missenden. Bucks,
peacefully on July 23rd after
a long struggle against
cancer. A much loved wife
and mother. Funeral Service
at the Church of & John the
Baptist. The Lee. Great
Missenden. Bucks. on
Monday next July 23th at
4pm followed by cremation
at Chillerine Crematorium.
Amerikam. Family Rowers
only but donations if desired
to The Cancer Research
Campaign c/o Mf John
Trotter. 10 Cambridge
Terrace, London NW; 4,L.

# PERSONAL COLUMN **DEATHS**

DOLERE ELSTON - Ardith Cartene Goed Delese Eston, born May 7th, 1917 in Idahe, passed away July 14th, 1996 in Oktahoma City, after an extended times. She is survived by her intsband, Glenn Elston; and her children, Pamela Reckers and husband Jim: Paul Douglas Dolese and wife Terry; Pruny Park and husband Jerry and their 2 children. Ross and Whit: Peter Dolese and son Roger; Prends Briggs and husband Jim and their 3 children, Joseph, Comor, end Emily; Paula Rochel and husband Rocate and their 2 children, Tyter and Colby; Patrick Dolese and wife Stefant and their child. Stefan A private service will be held.

FIELD - Philip Alexander Gorden OSE (Sandy) on 14th June 1996 missing, believed dead, on a solo right in Kenya, March loved by his sisher Philippe and by his many friends. A Service of Thankentytes for the Heaument dving for his life wa held in Nanyoki on 17th MAWKINS - Mick on 22nd July suddenly, Wonderful MAWKENS - Mick on 22nd
July suddenly. Wonderful
hosband of Zills and adored
lather of Alice, Hannah,
Martha. Matilda. William
and Rupert. Belowed by 8t
who knew him. Funeral
Sarvice at Holy Trinity
Brompton, Brompton Road,
SW7, on Tuesday 50th July
at 12 noon, followed by
private Cramation. No

private cremation. No flowers please. Met Service to be annot Romans 8:38-39. HOLLINGS - John, very stidding on 23rd July 1996, eged 73 years. Much loved husband of Mangaret, father of Helen, Elizabeth, Stophen and Caroline and grandfather of Christine. Manthew. Anna and Emma. Service of Thankspiving on Monday 29th July 92 yrs 42 yrs 42 pt. July 22th July 92 yrs 42 Service of Thunksgiving on Monday 29th July at 2 pm at St John the Baptist, Harrigord. Cheshire, followed by a private cremation. No flowers please. Donations to the British Heart Foundation or St Lude's Odd Cheshire) Hospice. Enquiries Nagle Brothers tel: (01606) 882165.

DEATHS JOHES - On July 23rd peacefully in hospital in Leeds aged 72 years. Glanville Rees Jeffreys Jones, Emerica Professor of Jones. Emerius Professor of the University of Leeds. Loving Institute of Serah and David and grandfather of Jonathun and Christopher. Service at St. Margaret's Caurch, Horsforth, Leeds, on Monday July 29th at 2.15pm. prior to cremation at Rawdon. Family, flowers only by request but if desired donations in Heu may be made to Asthma Research Council, 300 Upper Street. London NI 2004.

MERRY - On 22nd July 1996
Elizabeth Barbara of
Wingham, nr. Canterbury,
aged 81 years, she will be
greatly mixed by her family
and friends. Futeral Service
takes place at Barham
Crematorium on Wadnesday
July 31st at 11.30 am.
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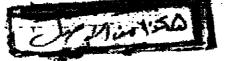
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Sir David Nicolson, company chairman and former MEP, died on July 19 aged 73. He was born on September 20, 1922.

DAVID NICOLSON laid the foundations for the present-day British Airways when, as chairman of the BA Board 1971-75, he welded the former British European Airways and the British Overseas Airways Corporation into one company. The job was among the most testing of that era. The two airlines were riven by rivalries and each contained its share of prima

donnas.
Headhunted for his management skills by John Davies, then Trade and Industry Secretary in the Heath Government. Nicolson himself had no experience of the industry and had to lean on the expertise of his subordinates.

Moreover, he lacked support from Whitehall, which sometimes seemed more concerned to bury him than to oraise his achievements. Nicolson had to put up with continual interference not least from the Aerospace Minister. Michael Heseltine, who gave him an unhappy time. Yet, despite these difficulties, Nicolson succeeded. The verdict of his industrial contemporari a was that no one could have made a

better job of it.
While his role at BA raised Nicolson's public profile, he was already a leading captain of British industry with an increasing collection of directorships. Originally, however, he had signed on for a career in the Royal

Born in London, David Lancaster Nicolson was the son of a Canadian engineer, whose own father had migrated to Nova Scotia from a Scottish farm. David's father had crossed to Britain in the First World War, left for Russia to advise the Tsar on mining projects and then returned at the time of the Bolshevik revolution. Nicolson's early life was hardly less eventful.

Forced to leave Haileybury School when his father lost his sight, and consequently his income, he won a place at St Paul's and then another at Imperial College London. While he was there, his father was killed when their home was bombed, but the young Nicolson went on to take a degree in engineering and then signed on for 11

## SIR DAVID NICOLSON



years in the Royal Navy. Commissioned into the Royal Corps of Naval Constructors he served as a damage control officer in ships and submarines in the North Atlantic and Russian convoys, repairing and helping to salvage stricken vessels.

Dispatched to Normandy on D-Day, he did similar work for the American landing on Omaha Beach - and subsequently in other harbours as the Allies advanced on Berlin. He was wounded three times during the landings and was mentioned in dispatches for carrying out repairs under fire. But he was also so appalled by the carnage that it made him a lifelong advocate of a united Europe.

Despite his early ambitions, and indeed his original contractual obliga-tions, Nicolson left the Navy as its numbers were cut back after the war. He went to work for a succession of different firms, including Vickers, Bucyrus-Erie in Milwaukee (his father's old company) and Production-Engineering (later to become the PE Group). Joining Production-Engineering in 1953, he stayed with them for 15

years, becoming chairman, in 1963. By now a management consultant and analyst with a rising reputation, Nicolson's interests grew steadily. His many chairmanships were to include those of BTR, 1969-84, Rothmans International, 1975-84, and VSEL daughters of his first marriage.

(Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineer tvickers Shipbulloing and Engineering), 1986-87. He was knighted in 1975.
Working from his own office in the West End, he also served on a number of professional bodies like the Council of the CBI and the America European Community Association, which he founded in 1981 and which reflected his passion for global co-operation. His enthusiasm for Europe was demon-strated by his election as the Conservative MEP for London Central in 1979. But in spite of his large majority he resigned from it after five years - exasperated apparently by its bureaucracy.

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He wrote extensively on manufacturing and management and lectured all over the world. Although believing in the profit motive and what he called the "discipline of the stock market", he was in many ways an idealist with progressive views on industrial rela-tions. He once pointed out that some 60 per cent of the chairmen of continental companies with a technological base had themselves got technical degrees compared with only 12 per cent in Britain.
His experience as an MEP seemed

only to deepen his scepticism about politicians and he criticised both parties for interfering in the management of state-owned industries. His great hero was Napoleon and one of his favourite quotes was that one bad general was preferable to two good ones. Nicolson remained intensely proud of his Canadian connection and in 1992 he led the appeal which resulted in the unveiling of a Canadian War Memorial in Green Park. He retired from most of his director-

ships the following year. An accom-plished stand-off half and wicketkeeper in his youth, he had few outside intellectual interests in later life and found it hard to adjust to the routine of a retired businessman. His first wife Joan, whom he met on

the Normandy beaches where she was a theatre sister in a field hospital, died in 1991 after 46 years of marriage. The next year he married his second wife Beryl, widow of Sir Gerald Thorley. former chairman of Allied Breweries.

David Nicolson, who died after suffering a stroke in church while attending the funeral of a close friend. is survived by her and by a son and two

## HANS FELLNER

Hans Feliner, consulta to Christic's and bookseller, died in London from cancer on July 18 aged 71. He was born in Vienna on June 13, 1925.

HANS FELLNER was the mainstay of Christie's book department for the last twenty years, as cataloguer, department head and latterly as consultant. Although he had no literary degree or formal training in bibliography, paleography or art history, his expert opinion on all manner of manuscripts and printed books was frequently sought and widely respected.

He wrote no books or scholarly articles; but to connoisseurs his name will remain linked to Papal Countess Dohney's medieval manuscripts, Renaissance illumination by Nicholaus Glockendon, Lord Bute's English liturgy. John Evelyn's library, poetical manuscripts by Heinrich Heine, autograph music by Richard Wagner, several collections attesting Arthur Houghton's bibliophily, and numerous other properties that have gone through the salerooms, despite the traditional anonymity of Christie's catalogues. He also had a large hand in negotiating private treaty sales of historical, political and family archives to the nation, a lesser

Before joining Christie's in 1976, under the mistaken impression that the saleroom would be less wearing on a weak heart than the trade and might involve less travel, Hans Fellner had been a successful antiquarian bookseller in Bloomsbury for almost 25 years, first in the employment of David Nutt and from the mid-1950s independently. He concentrated especially on books in the history of economics, which he continued to to collect long after vacating his upstairs

known activity of the auction



(Political economic theory was a lifelong interest, his own leanings moving from extreme leftwing as middle age approached.)

His catalogues were physically modest productions but their descriptions were both learned and commercial; his best clients were university libraries, mostly in the United States. This was also the time of regular Saturday teas with E. Ph. Goldschmidt, the binding historian and already legendary bookseller, usually after a visit to the British Museum Library. Both were Viennese Jews, deeply Anglophile but for some reason never giving up their national-ity (the older Goldschmidt, a Cambridge graduate and per-manently established in London since the early Twenties, carried a Dutch passport.

Fellner remained Austrian). Hans Feliner, aged 13, came to this country in the charitable programme of Kindertransporte. the so-called "children's train", organised from offices at Bloomsbury House. His father had first been a banker, then cultural attaché at the French Embassy in Vienna; his mother was a doctor of philosophy. Both parents - albeit separated survived the war, living in France. The step from Akademisches Gymnasium to Smethwick Grammar School was easily made, and during the war young Fellner went or read engineering at Birmingham.

Until his entry into the book trade, he held a number of miscellaneous jobs to support his young family. Important German and Austrian émigré bookdealers in England and on America's East and West coasts were ten to forty years older than Hans Feliner and had already been well estab-lished before the war. Breslauer, Eiseman, Rosenthal and others in London. Kraus, Schab, Ranschburg and others in New York no doubt inspired Fellner, but most knew him or did business with him only after he joined Christie's. Unlike Fellner, none of them ever gave up his independence to join a main auction house and few, if any, really mastered or cared to learn the field of English or American literature. Fellner's remarkable career in literary research and commerce, therefore, cannot be viewed in their perspective

and remains unique. Hans Fellner was always ready to give expert advice to anyone who asked, both inside and outside Christie's. And many did ask, aware of the amazing range of his know-ledge and of the total honesty of his answers. He knew very well himself of whom to ask a specialist opinion and his painstaking modesty stood him in good stead. However, he also had a sure ability to deflate conceit. His smile was as gentle as his nature and nearly always present. He was universally liked, and by his colleagues and friends clearly adored. His sense of humour tended to a keen appreciation of the absurd. He had a passion for classical music. and loved good food and wine. His third marriage was

lasting and happy. He leaves a widow. Sheila Ramage, and a son and daughter from previ-

## **JOYCE BUCK**

Joyce Buck, American actress and interior designer, died in Santa Monica, California, on July 13 aged 71. She was born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 17, 1925.

inextricably bound up with the larger diaspora of Hollywood directors and producers to Europe which took place during the 1950s as a result of Joseph McCarthy's red-baiting. Joyce Buck was married. for fifty years, to the producer Jules Buck. Neither was ever accused of being a Communist, but both felt that the armosphere in Hollywood had become so soured and tainted that the only civilised course was to go and live in Europe.

During the 1960s Joyce Buck was regarded as one of the most glamorous women in London. She had dark hair. which was highlighted by a distinguished white streak, and deep brown eyes. She was elegantly dressed, often in haute couture. Complementing her husband's work, she became a sounding board to many people in the industry.

men like John Huston, whose daughter Anjelica was about the same age as .her own daughter. That daughter, Joan Juliet Buck, went on to be Editor of French Vogue. Later Joyce Buck developed her own career as an interior designer in London and California.

before her marriage, was born in Chicago but brought up in New York City, where her father, a businessman, had moved the family. She attended the Professional Children's School and was acting from the age of nine under the stage name of Gates, working both in the theatre and on radio. One of the plays in which she appeared, Franklin Street, introduced her to her best friend, Betty (Lauren) Bacall. They were both Conover girls

— the top agency for fashion models - and Joyce appeared on the cover of magazines such as Charm.

She left for Hollywood with a studio contract at the age of 18. Because of her strong colouring, she was often cast as a gypsy girl. Then, at the same time as her friend Bacall met Humphrey Bogart, Joyce



met Jules Buck, a US Army captain. In peacetime he reverted to his job in the film industry as a producer at 20th

Century Fox. They were married in 1945, after which her film career stalled - not something she much regretted

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as she was never inordinately ambitious for fame. In 1952 the Bucks moved to

Paris, where her husband worked in films, and then came to London in 1957. The following year. Buck began his long working partnership with Peter O'Toole, with whom he founded Keep Films. His productions from this period included Becket and The Ruling Class. In her home in Belgravia Joyce Buck entertained many of the great names from London's theatrical and film community.

In some respects, London had the effect of bringing her closer to her American roots. She became involved with Democrats Abroad, which she co-chaired (with Toby Hyde) and which campaigned in London for George McGovern and Jimmy Carter during the 1972 and 1976 presidential elections. She was also involved with the Royal Court Theatre.

At the same time her interior design business was taking off. When she and her husband moved back to Califor-nia in 1980, she designed homes for Coral Browne and Vincent Price, Mrs William Wyler and Sam Jaffee. Her taste was bold, and she

favoured large, imposing pieces of furniture (as a bride, she had brought her own massive 17th-century examples from a sale at the home of William Randolph Hearst). Tactful but firm in steering a client away from anything ugly, she would usually gain way by regarding the offending object innocently, and asking: "Did you really like that lamp?" She continued learning and giving impeccable guidance to those around her. Two days before her death she was helping her daughter on the proofs for the September edition of French Vogue. Joyce Buck is survived by

her husband and daughter.

# TERTIUS METCALF

Tertius Metcalf. businessman, died from cancer on June 22 aged 63. He was born on December 23, 1932.

TERTIUS METCALF was larger than life character. With his curious combination of an eclectic intellect, a profound piety, a sartorial fastidiousness and a tendency towards misogyny, he often seemed to belong to a world whose time had passed.

A layman with a tremendous devotion to the Roman Catholic faith, he was a Brother of the Little Oratory, an institute founded by St Philip Neri in 1552 so that "merchants, physicians, lawyers and courtiers, reached a high degree of spirituality, leading in the midst of their temporal occupations a life as pure and devout as the most fervent religious in their monasteries".

As a member of this brotherhood he could be found fulfilling such functions as carrying the great cross at the head of the majestic Corpus Christi procession in London's Brompton Oratory. But he also made a jovial companion to his fellow brothers as his conversation flitted from heraldry to the topography of

London, from racehorses to the liturgy of the Mass. However, he did not find the company of women so congenial. In immaculate suit and red carnation he was a familiar figure at the Travellers Club and the Reform. But he disapproved of female membership of these clubs, though in the end he admitted that it made little difference to him as, thankfully, the women were all gone by 6pm. When several eminent members of the Oxford and Cambridge Club resigned after women were refused full membership

there. Metcalf promptly joined

to show his support for the club's decision.

He was also an active three city livery companies: the Company of Watermen of the River Thames, the Company of Broderers and the Company

of Wheelwrights. Thomas John Tertius Metcalf was educated at Beaumont College. His Jesuit education, it was said, gave his mind a polemical edge, making him a formidable opponent in debate. After school he did his National Service in the RAF, in which

he reached the rank of corporal. On demobilisation he

went up to Downing College, Cambridge, to read history. Much of his time there was taken up at the Newmarket races but he continued to be an active participant in Cambridge Union debates. Many fellow undergraduates will remember his fierce attack on Anthony Eden over the mishandling of the Suez affair of 40 years ago.

It was at Cambridge that he met the Roman Catholic chaplain Monsignor Gilbey, whose deeply traditionalist views remained an influence on him.

Gilbey would reprimand Metcall who, a staunch Jacobite. would raise toasts to the "king member, and a past Master, of three city livery companies: over the water, to Albert. King of Great Britain, Ireland. France and Bavaria, Gilbev would remind him t ing taken the oath of allegiance on joining the RAF, he was bound to the House of

After his graduation in 1956 he read for the Bar at Gray's Inn, but was never to qualify. His father sent him to work at C. T. Bowrings to learn marine insurance. He then joined the family firm of Metcalf Motor Coasters, succeeding his father as chairman in 1970.

In that same year he took up chairmanship of the company C. Crawley, which supplied fresh water to shipping, working from an office in Gravesend. He held the post until the end of his life, arriving in the office at the crack of dawn, no matter how late he had stayed up the night before. He had a deep interest in

architecture and in the River Thames. He always regretted that government policy was to put most transport on the roads, not least because this policy hit his business hard. He was also an ardent member of the Liberal Party and was chairman of the Chelsea Liberals in the 1960s, when he stood for the Greater London

But Metcalf's primary passion remained his Catholic faith. Joining the Brothers of the Little Oratory, he passed from postulant to being a full brother in 1990 and was soon made consultor and then vicerector. One of the most moving moments in his life, he said, was the time that he served a Maronite Mass in which the liturgy was sung in Aramaic, the language which Christ would have spoken to his disciples.

Metcalf was unmarried.

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With the dictator's resignation the Hitler Mussolini partnership — the "glorious comradeship in arms" — collapsed. Italy surrendered on September 3 and in October declared war on Germany.

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King-Emperor, living image of the Fatherland. and example for all. The order given is clear and precise, it will be scrupulously carried out, and anyone who has any illusions that he will be able to interfere with normal development or will be able to attempt to disturb public order will be

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[Signed] PIETRO BADOGLIO,
Marshal of Italy."

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the year in the Fascist era. Before the announcement the only indica-tion that something important might be stirring was the fact that the official Italian news agency's normal transmissions had been off the air since the late

afternoon. Then came the normal Rome news bulletin at 10.45p.m. It was delayed for five minutes. Then came the announcement, followed by the reading of the proclamations ...

# THE TIMES TODAY

## NEWS

## Short demoted by ruthless Blair

■ Tony Blair ousted Clare Short from her post as Shadow Transport Secretary in a ruthless reshuffle of his top team. Ignoring Ms Short's strong showing in the Shadow Cabinet

elections, and despite her efforts to secure a better job, he demoted her to a low-key post in charge of overseas development and replaced her with Andrew Smith, who did not even stand for the elections ...

## Portillo victory over £4bn RAF order

A £4 billion defence order that will safeguard thousands of jobs was announced after Michael Heseltine was called in to resolve a Cabinet battle between the Chancellor and the Defence Secretary. Michael Portillo said the three RAF contracts, all with British companies, would help to sustain about 5,000 jobs..

## Massacre fears

There were fears that the central African republic of Burundi was about to be engulfed in massacres after the army took power in a coup, bringing new fears of Hutu-Tutsi violence ... ..... Page ե i4

## Atlanta steel

Atlantans are angry and bewildered about the way their city has been lambasted for organisational shortfalls during the opening week of the centennial Olympic Games...

## Call to Thatcher

Baroness Thatcher has been asked to play a substantial role in the next general election campaign to try to boost the Tories' faltering chances.. ...Page 2

## Jailed for life

Anne Trigwell, 43, began a life sentence after being found guilty of hiring hitmen to kill her private detective husband, bludgeoned to death..... ......Page 3

## Airline fined

British Midland Airways was fined £150,000 plus £25,000 costs for "an act of crass negligence" which, but for a pilot's skill, could have led to the crash of a Boeing 737 jet..... ... Page 5

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Equipment included a heavyduty crane and an artificial stainless steel toenail when Maggot, a 28-year-old white rhinoceros.

## Count on Taiwan

Teachers should look to Taiwan for lessons in stopping the worrying decline in mathematical ability among British pupils, school inspectors said .....

## Spinal success A breakthrough in spinal injury research has been made by scientists who have restored move-

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Hundreds of men with staves, knives and guns gathered on a plateau in southern France to hunt a sheep-killing wolf dubbed the Beast of Larzac ...... Page 10

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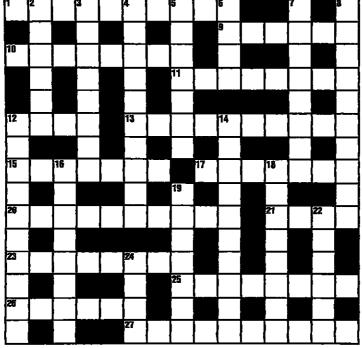
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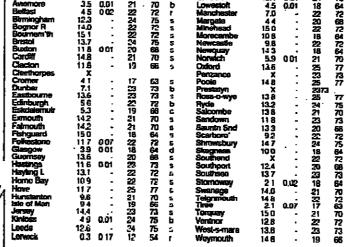
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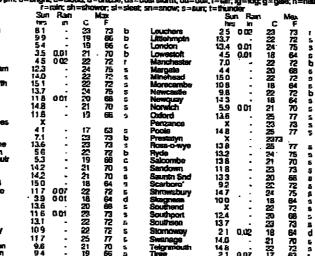
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with occasional rain; brighter weather in the north edging south. □ Pollen forecast: N Scotland, low: Wales, South West, London, low to moderate; N England, Midlands, East Anglia, South East, moderate; S Scotland, Northern Ireland, moderate

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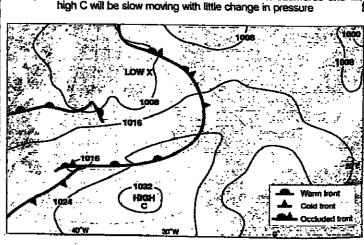


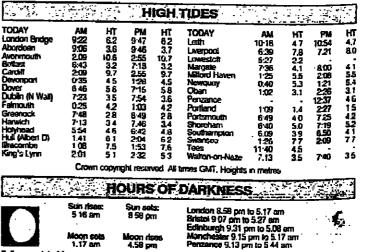
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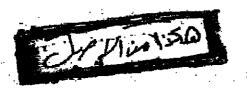
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British Gas raises the pressure on the Government **PAGE 27** 

DTI are reluctant to comment

The Gas Levy was introd-

uced in 1981 to tax output from

old gas fields which had escap-

ed the Petroleum Revenue Tax

in 1975. The charge, currently

4p a therm, is levied on gas purchasers and on the field.

The levy amount has previous-

ly been a bone of contention for British Gas and it has pre-

viously joined the Gas Cons-

umers Council in arguing for a reduction in the charge. British Gas, which has paid

£5.6 billion under the levy, is

now disputing its liability on about a third of its contracts that are subject to it. The levy

is generally paid by gas pur-

chasers rather than producers, with the majority of gas purchasing conducted by Brit-ish Gas. However, in some

instances it is paid by produc-

ers who have a contract agree-

ment with British Gas for a

field but are selling on excess

British Gas said it had

taken action now because

legal demands dictated it had

to make a move by the sixth anniversary of the Finance Act, which modified the levy.

That day is today.

British Gas and the DTI are now expected to hold talks

before the company decides whether to move to the next

for talks, British Gas was

optimistic that the dispute may not reach court.

After issuing the writ, Brit-ish Gas has four months in

which to move on its action or

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decides on its next step, British.

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Part-time post pays £120,000



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# British Gas threat to DTI in £1bn writ

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

BRITISH GAS yesterday launched an unprecedented tax challenge, demanding that the Government repay £1 billion plus interest.

In a writ to the Department of Trade and Industry, the company claimed it had overpaid tax due under the Gas Levy by £1 billion over the past ten years. The DTI responded with a raft of counter writs to gas producers. If British Gas proves its legal case, the Government will expect 27 gas producers to share the [] billion burden.

The gas producers include Shell, BP, Esso and Elf. Many of those affected have been holding talks with British Gas about its expensive take-orpay contracts under which it is obliged to buy gas at prices far higher than those at which it can sell the fuel.

British Gas is arguing that it has paid too much tax on 24 of its longest-held contracts which are in eight of the oldest gas fields. It is claiming overpayment for a ten-year period. The DTI said it did not believe British Gas's interpretation of

the law was correct but if the company were proved right the Government would have to levy claims against producers of the gas in question".

The move by British Gas throws the spotlight on the controversial contracts it struck in first generation gas fields, as a result of which it could now face a deficit of £4 billion. All eight UK continen-tal shelf fields on which the dispute centres are old fields for which British Gas entered into contracts covering the entire life of the fields. By arguing against its liability for the levy, it is expected to claim that contracts have developed in such a fashion that they are

no longer subject to the levy. The crux of the argument could be that the company no the gas and therefore should not pay the levy. It could claim that the fields have been exploited in a way that exceeds its needs or wishes. British Gas is refusing to elaborate on how it will pursue its case.

The companies that may face counterclaims from the



No smoke without fire Brandon Gough, right, chairman of Yorkshire Water, fends

# Yorkshire Water chairman survives call to resign

YORKSHIRE WATER'S new part-time chairman kept his £120,000 a year job yesterday after an attempt by some shareholders to remove him. Brandon Gough's commit-

governance consultancy that

and Mergers Commission.

☐ British Gas yesterday sealed a ten-year deal to sell ment to spend one day a week in Yorkshire overseeing the gas through the continental interconnector to Germany. affairs of the much criticised The agreement to sell about 20 utility was not good enough, billion cubic metres of gas to according to many at the annual meeting in Harrogate. Wingas is the biggest UK export deal so far struck for A shareholder revolt against the interconnector which is due to begin operating in 1998. his reappointment was cham-pioned by Pirc, the corporate

Mr Gough, 58, the former chairman of Coopers & Lybrand, the accountant, lives in Kent and is chairman of two public bodies, as well as a director of National Power, George Wimpey and De La Rue. He faced strong criticism from some shareholders, who questioned his ability to fit six

jobs into five working days.
George Mountfield, from
Sheffield, said: "With all
Yorkshire Water's problems
the last thing we need is a parttime chairman. This is the old Pressure rises, page 27 | advises institutional investors. boy's network, the City slick-

ers, and, looking at this board, that is all we have." Mr Gough said: "I'm in Yorkshire one day a week and I'm in touch with my colleagues almost every day. These days that is how companies are run. "I was offered £120,000 and

I was very happy to accept it. It is a very substantial amount of money, but that is the deal." Mr Gough was reappointed by a substantial majority, on a show of hands.

## Lowest loan rate since 1965

NATIONWIDE Building Society yesterday threw down the gauntlet to its rivals in the mortgage market when it announced a 0.25 per cent reduc-tion in its standard home loan rate to 6.49 per cent, the lowest

The UK's second largest building society with around one million borrowers said the new rate, which takes effect from September 1 for new and existing customers, "rein-forces the benefits of being with a building society". The proposed new rate compares with 6.99 per cent charged by the Halifax, the Woolwich and NatWest and Abbey Nation-

al's 7.04 per cent.
Brian Davis, chief executive of the Nationwide, said: "Our mortgage interest rates will have fallen by more than one per cent during 1996 and, as a result, typical Nationwide borrowers with a £50,000 interestonly mortgage will have seen their monthly mortgage pay-ments fall by some £44 over the same period."

Garry Marsh, spokesman for the Halifax, which plans to become a £10 billion bank next year, said: 'The Nationwide move is another salvo in the battle for mortgage market share. Previously, standard mortgage rates tended to be adjusted only in line with the Bank of England's base rate. That may now be a thing of the

Initial reaction from competi-tors, like Bradford & Bingley, another society pledged to re-tain its mutual status, was not to follow suit. However, mid-summer is generally quiet for the mortgage market and nearer to September there may be another bout of cuts to bring rivals closer to Nationwide.

Cheltenham & Gloucester, now the retail mortgage arm of Lloyds TSB, said yesterday it had taken an estimated 15 per cent share of the UK net mortgage lending market for the first six months of the year. C&G also revealed profits to June 30 were £160.8 million. compared with £119.3 million for the five months it was under new ownership to December 31.

Andrew Longhurst, chief executive of the C&G, said: "Strong sales of C&G mortgages through both Lloyds Bank and C&G branches have earned us more than double our natural market share, taking 15 per cent of an estimated £7.5 billion of UK net mortgage

# Tokyo close Yen 108.09

## Hays and Salvesen confirm bid talks

London close.... \$385,05 (\$384,45)

By Alasdair Murray

HAYS, the business services group, yesterday said that it is in bid talks with rival Christian Salvesen, which could lead to the creation of a distribution and services giant valued at about £2.7 billion. Hays is expected to offer up to 350p a share, valuing Christian Salvesen at about £1 billion. Hays will require a mixed cash and paper offer to fund the bid.

The two companies were forced to reveal their discussions after recent share price fluctuations. Salvesen shares yesterday closed up 60p at 349p, while Hays shares tum-

bled 36p to 414p.
The Salvesen board is expected to make a decision early next week, but much will depend on the attitude of the Saivesen family, who still control about 40 per cent of the company. Hays has made it clear that it is unlikely to make a hostile bid, but it is believed that the Salvesen family is aware of the need for consolidation in the sector.

Ronnie Frost, chairman of Hays, said that the two companies would create a perfect fit with Salvesen distribution operations, enabling Hays to create a European-wide operation. But Hays is also likely to make a number of dispos-als, although it would only confirm that it expected to sell-off Salvesen's frozen food business. Another possible target is Aggreko, Salvesen's power generation and air conditioning unit.

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# Weak chemicals force ICI to shed 2,700 jobs

ICI is to cut 2,700 jobs in a £137 million worldwide restructuring made necessary world chemical markets and the impact of sharp price reductions in some industri-

al chemicals The worst hit part of ICl, which employs 65,300 at present, will be the explosives operations in North America based in Dallas, Texas. Around 1,000 jobs will go in North America over the next 18 months. The biggest cuts in Britain will be at Darwen. Lancashire. A quarter of the 400 workforce at the acrylics plant will be lost.

The cutbacks are an acceleration of ICI's rationalisation plans which have been brought forward by between six months and a year to finish at the end of 1997. Restructuring costs contributed to a sharp drop in half-year profits from £533 million to £260 million and in earnings from 45.4p to 19.4p a share. The half-year dividend, however, rises 8.7 per cent to 12.5p a share, not enough to stop the shares falling 17p to 76lp. Stripping out the exceptional charges, ICI profits were still well down - from £510

million to £367 million. ICI is to spend around £65 million on restructuring North American explosives, £44 million on cuts in paints and £28 million on acrylics.

Only 15 per cent of the job cuts announced yesterday will fall in Britain.

City chemicals analysts downgraded their estimates for current-year profits to between £700 and £750 million from £800 to £850 million. ICI says: "We continue to believe that the present difficulties in the market place represent a pause rather than a downturn in the economic cycle.

"The UK economy continues to grow and consumer confidence appears to be increasing in the USA and UK. Japan is recovering. We believe there is a chance of modest growth in all major markets in 1997." Charles Miller Smith.

chief executive, said that ICI is also reviewing its bulk chemical operations. He said ICI would "stay with bulk chemicals, where we feel we can make money over the cycle" but said "there will come a moment when we look to exit from

certain business He emphasised, however, that now "does not seem the right time, given the current weakness across bulk

Mr Miller Smith said destocking had affected much of the ICI business but that it had "generally run its course" except in tioxide and polyesters.

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# Somerfield likely to cut float price again



SOMERFIELD, the supermarket company, is likely today to cut its flotation price for the second time — to about 145p a share — in a final attempt to ensure that its debut on the stock market remains on course for next

The company has been forced to act

to overcome strong institutional resis-tance to the 160p a share pricing it had declared only last week.

It is believed that institutional shareholders have now subscribed in sufficient numbers to ensure the flotation can still proceed.

Another reduction in price would value Somerfield at £435 million.

almost a quarter less than the £570 million maximum valuation placed on the company in its offer document.

The float has been dogged by difficult market conditions as well as concern that Somerfield may struggle in an already. crowded supermarket sector. A profit warning last week from Iceland Foods, a rival, also caused nervousness among

potential buyers.

The float was originally priced at hetween 180p and 190p, but Somerfield was forced to drop the offer price to 160p

The institutions have been able to apply pressure because of the need for Somerfield's bankers to recoup some of

their loans. Somerfield was taken private seven years ago in a £2.1 billion buyout by Isoceles. The float was intended to fund the repayment of about £400 million to Somerfield's bankers and up to £300 million of Isoceles debt. Isoceles is likely

to receive only a token payment after the latest drop in price.

The revised price is also likely to cost David Simons, the company's chief executive, more than El million.

Mr Simons was heavily criticised in the City for a flotation bonus deal worth up to £5.66 million, but now is likely to have to settle for a figure closer to £4 million.

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EXHILARATION

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# Philips responds to loss by cutting 6,000 jobs

PHILIPS ELECTRONICS, hit by declining prices for consumer products such as TVs and video recorders, is to shed 6,000 jobs, mostly in its European manufacturing operations, after reporting an unexpectedly deep loss in the latest quarter. The redundancies mark one of the company's largest retrenchment programmes.

Philips's net loss was 456 million guilders (£175 million) in the quarter to June 30, against a net profit of 583 million guilders in the same period a vear ago. The latest figure includes an extraordinary charge of 760 million guilders to restructure will affect all departments, from manufactur-

**Export rise** 

helps cut

trade gap

to £985m

By Janet Bush, economics correspondent

HIGHER exports helped Brit-

ain to narrow its trade deficit

with the rest of the world in May to £985 million from

April's shortfall of £1.36 bil-

Figures from the Office for

National Statistics show that exports rose 2.5 per cent, while

imports fell 0.5 per cent. But

despite this apparent improvement, statisticians said the underlying trend of Britain's

trade position was broadly

Dissecting the figures showed that trade with coun-

Cheap calls

and payoffs

slow BT

HIGH redundancy char-

ges and declining prices,

especially for international

calls, pushed down BT's

earnings in the first quar-

Pre-tax profits in the quarter to the end of June

declined 0.6 per cent to

E869 million on turnover of £3.64 billion, up 4.1 per

cent. Continued double-

digit growth at Cellnet, the

per cent owned by BT, was

the main contributor to the

Redundancy charges more than doubled to £52

million as the company

continued to cut jobs. Price cuts, meanwhile, reduced

turnover by £130 million.

The reductions dragged

down the revenue from

international calls by 3.7

The results were as ex-

pected, but analysts said

the fall in international call

volume growth from 9 per

cent to 8 per cent on a

moving average basis was

BT gave no indication

whether it would accept

Oftel's new regulatory

package, with its August 2

deadline for agreement. A

rejection would trigger a

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Commission inquiry.

cause for concern.

per cent to £472 million.

increased turnover.

ter (Eric Reguly writes).

tries outside the European

Union was less encouraging

than European trade. The trade gap with non-EU coun-tries rose to £814 million from

£799 million, while the EU

deficit narrowed to £171 million from £564 million.

Separate figures for June for

non-EU trade tended to con-

firm this picture. Britain's non-EU deficit widened to £1.13 billion, its highest level since February, 1993, from

£814 million in May. How-

ever, the ONS pointed out that half of the deterioration was

due to lower oil exports and

erratic items, such as ships

and precious stones. Exports

in total fell 6.5 per cent in the

City economists said that yesterday's figures were en-

couraging because of the ap-

parent buoyancy of exports to

Europe, despite weak growth

in continental markets. Mar-

tin Brookes, of Goldman

Sachs, said that a sustained

recovery in export volumes

should emerge later this year

from stronger activity in the

The Bundesbank held Ger-

man interest rates yesterday,

putting pressure on both the

dollar and the pound. Some

observers had speculated that

the German central bank

count and Lombard rates un-

changed but cut its key money

market repurchase rate. How-

ever, it left the repo at 3.30 per

cent, the level it has been since February and where it will

remain, at least for the next

four weeks when the central

The dollar fell to DM1.4750

in early afternoon trading

from DM1.49 just before the

Bundesbank announcement.

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that the Bundesbank's policy-

making council may be split after at least two senior mem-

bers seemed to hint in the run-

up to yesterday's meeting that

a rate cut was possible. The

mark's strength after news

that rates were unchanged

ironically strengthens the ar-

gument for a cut after the

summer break. The weak

dollar and strong mark have

been putting an unwanted

squeeze on German exporters.

There was some speculation

bank is on holiday.

European Union.

The company blamed the poor results on the launch of a digital mobile-phone business, a cyclical downturn in semiconductors and other electronic components, and "increased price erosion" in some of its markets, notably sound and vision products. In the first half, the consumer products division lost 92 million guilders (269 million guilders).

The 6,000 jobs in the sound and vision business, equivalent to 15 per cent of its 40,000 jobs, will disappear by the end of next year and

KOOKAI

UK's Kookai

stores head

for market

THE UK's Kookai stores are

coming to the stock market via

a reverse takeover by Formin-

ster, the clothing retailer, which has valued the 26-strong

clothes chain at £11 million

Adjustbetter, which holds

the Kookai franchise in the

UK, will gain a 62 per cent

stake in Forminster if its

results reach an agreed target

Michael Rahamim, Adjust-

better's founder and manag-

ing director, is to join

Forminster closed its own

women's wear division in

May, incurring costs of El

million, which created a loss

of £500,000 for the year to

April 30. Its shares were

suspended at 72p yesterday.

They are to begin trading

Forminster's board.

(Fraser Nelson writes).

the sound and vision business, the largest part of its consumer products division.

ing to marketing. Britain, however, will largely escape the retrenchment programme. Only 200 of Philips's 10,000 British employees work in the sound and vision business: most of those are in sales, marketing and customer service. A Philips spokesman in London said: "I would not expect much to happen here." Philips gave no details about the location of the job reductions, but it appears that manufacturing sites will be hardest hit.

The company said that the price of the sound and vision products iell by an average of 6 per cent in the first half, with the price of some products, such as video recorders, dropping by

said it had no intention of abandoning the consumer electronics business or eliminating any products. Falling prices, it said, were an

industry-wide problem.

Some analysts said that the job reductions alone might not be enough to reverse Philips's fortunes. Simon Street, of BZW, said: "It's not just a case of taking costs out; it's whether they have a plan to grow the business profitably."

Analysts said Philips needed new products to capture the buyers' imagination. The company, however, has not been at the forefront at introducing new products recently.

## Opponent of Leeds deal to fight on

By JASON NISSE

PETER GILMAN, the deputy chairman of Leeds United, is to continue his fight to stop Caspian Group's £16.5 million bid for the Premier League football club in spite of having his legal action to block the deal thrown out yesterday.

Mr Justice Rattee dismissed a claim by Mr Gilman, who owns a third of Leeds's shares, that there was a verbal agreement that other two main shareholders, Bill Fotherby and Leslie Silver, should sell to him before anyone else.

Mr Gilman wants to back a higher offer for the club from Conrad, the leisurewear

The ruling appears to clear the way for Caspian's bid to go ahead. The media group expects to complete the deal next

However, in spite of Mr Justice Rattee appearing not to give any leave to appeal, Mr Gilman was in discussions with his lawyers last night over whether he could take any further action to stop the

Mr Gilman said that he would not have forgiven himself if he had not taken the

Mr Fotherby, who will become Leeds's chairman and join Caspian's board if the deal goes through, said: "I'm absolutely relieved it's all over. We've managed to keep doing business through good housekeeping, but now we can get off with gusto."

Pennington, page 25

## Fewer UK firms face

in Britain fell by 25 per cent during the first and second quarters of this year, confirming signs that the economy is entering a more stable period of recovery and consolidation. according to KPMG, the accountancy firm (Janet Bush

Its figures show there were

the first quarter to 27 in the

THE number of receiverships

A longer comparison is also encouraging. Receiverships in the first six months of this year totalled 778, a drop of 18 per cent on the same period a year

the receiver

334 receiverships in the second quarter compared with 444 in the first.

The largest fall, 53 per cent recorded in the North West, was from 57 receiverships in

## Business Blueprint." was circulated at Cabinet level again on August 20. Savings boost on nuclear wind-down

Childcare lobby

scents victory

By ROBERT MILLER

and is understood to be based

closely on EFC's Business

Blueprint, launched by Sir

Nicholas Goodison, deputy

chairman of Lloyds TSB, last

insists that no form of employ-

er-supported childcare provi-

sion should be liable to tax.

EFC also says that childcare

provision must match the

different requirements and circumstances of all children and parents who need it.

Fiona Cannon, chairman of

EFC, said: "If, as rumoured.

the Government is shortly to

publish a consultation docu-

ment, we look forward to it

reflecting our proposals for a

The employers' document

Models at Kookai in Kensington wearing clothes from the spring/summer collection

A CAMPAIGN backed by

some of Britain's largest em-

ployers, including British Airways, Shell, the BBC and

Rover, is close to victory in its

bid to force the Government to

perform a policy U-turn on a

After lobby pressure from Employers for Childcare

(EFC), which is also supported

by the TUC and the Confeder-

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Cheryl Gillan, a Minister at the Department for Education

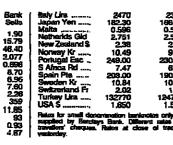
and Employment, has pre-

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national childcare strategy.

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By PHILIP BASSETT BRITAIN'S nuclear decommissioning body now expects to complete the current wind-down of nuclear plants at a 40 per cent lower cost than originally planned. The UK Atomic Energy Authority said the savings in the decommissioning programme meant "substantial reductions" in the cost of the plans to taxpayers.

The UKAEA said in its annual report that the cost of its decommissioning and radioactive waste management programmes for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 was £219 million, compared with the £363 million expected before the UKAEA took its present form after disposal of its

commercial and technological divisions. The UKAEA said that, with two of the three years of decommissioning completed and the third "very firmly budgeted", the total cost of the programme is now expected to be £330 million in all — 40 per cent less than its original estimate of £537 million. Dr Derek Pooley, UKAEA chief executive, said: This represents real

savings to the taxpayer. Even so, the estimated total future cost of eliminating the UKAEA's nuclear liabilities is now £7.4 billion.

## **Kidder Peabody fine** for UK irregularities

AFTER losing \$100 million on allegedly phoney trades AFTER losing \$100 million on allegedly phoney trades Kidder Peabody, the Wall Street securities firm, launched an inquiry into its operations worldwide which yesterday led to the firm's UK arm being fined £40,000 with £27,000 costs.

The Securities and Futures Authority, a UK watchdog, said yesterday that Kidder Peabody, which no longer operates in Britain, reported itself after the inquiry revealed that incorrect data fed into a computer led to understated losses on the

rect data fed into a computer led to understated losses on the options books of about \$3.5 million. Kidder ran the global checks after Joseph Jett, the US government bond trader sacked by Kidder Peabody, allegedly created \$350 million in phoney profits to hide \$100 million of real losses. The SFA has also reprimanded Peter Bryant and Jorge Villon and fined them £5,000 and £2,500 respectively. Mr Bryant input incorrect price, volatilty and interest rate data onto the risk model, while Mr Villon failed to update interest rates on a daily basis.

## Setback for Butte

BUTTE MINING suffered a further setback in its legal battle with Ernst & Young yesterday, when a High Court judge gave Butte three months to lodge £275,000 as security against the accountant's costs. The order relates to a £4.5 million action arising from an acquisition to which Ernst & Young was reporting accountant. If Butte fails to meet the deadline, the firm can apply for a stay or dismissal of the action. Last month, Mr Justice Lightman struck out a £110 million claim by Butte against Ernst & Young. Butte is appealing against the decision.

## Boots sales up 7.2%

THE Boots Company, the high street chemist chain, reported a 7.2 per cent increase in like-for-like sales in the first quarter. Sales in the core chemist division rose 5 per cent. The strongest improvement, 11.7 per cent, came from Boots Healthcare International, helped by a 31 per cent jump in Nurofen sales. Boots' two DIY businesses had improved sales, rising 8.4 per cent at Do It All and 8.2 per cent at A G Stanley. The shares closed 15p up at 599p as analysts upgraded full-year profit forecasts to about £550 million.

## Names urged to settle

THE Association of Lloyd's Members and the Society of Names have written to 24,000 action group members, warning them against turning down the Lloyd's settlement offer in favour of legal action alleging fraud at Lloyd's. The letter, signed by Sir David Berriman, Sir Adam Ridley, and Tom Benyon, describes the so-called fraud alternative as a high-risk strategy with considerable potential downside. Names would swap the advantages of the settlement offer for costly legal action with an uncertain outcome.

## **Increase at Witan**

WITAN, the fifth largest investment trust with net assets of more than £1.1 billion, has announced an increase in its half-year net return on ordinary activities before taxation to £19.5 million (£16.4 million). However, Witan's share price has lagged behind the net asset value of 308p per share and yesterday rose just 2½ p yesterday to 251 ½ p. An interim dividend of 3.05p (2.95p) has been declared. It will be paid on September 13 to shareholders on the register at

## **IBM defies expectations**

IBM, the computer manufacturer, earned \$1.3 billion (\$1.7 billion) in the second quarter, which was stronger than expected on Wall Street. The profit is equal to \$2.51 (\$2.97) a share on increased revenue of \$18.18 billion (\$17.53). Industry analysts said they were surprised by the resilience of IBM's results, especially its revenues, in a tough market and amid sluggishness in Europe, Louis Gerstner, IBM chairman, said results were hurt by short-term factors, including a drop in the price of computer memory chips and currency exchange rates.

## Call for training league

LABOUR will introduce national league tables on training for Britain's top 100 companies in an effort to boost their commitment in this area if Tony Blair wins the next election. A training scoreboard will be introduced to expose companies' training records, and to act as a strong incentive for improving the extent and quality of training provision. Stephen Byers, Labour's Shadow Education and Employment Minister, will announce Labour's proposals today in a speech to teachers in Birmingham.

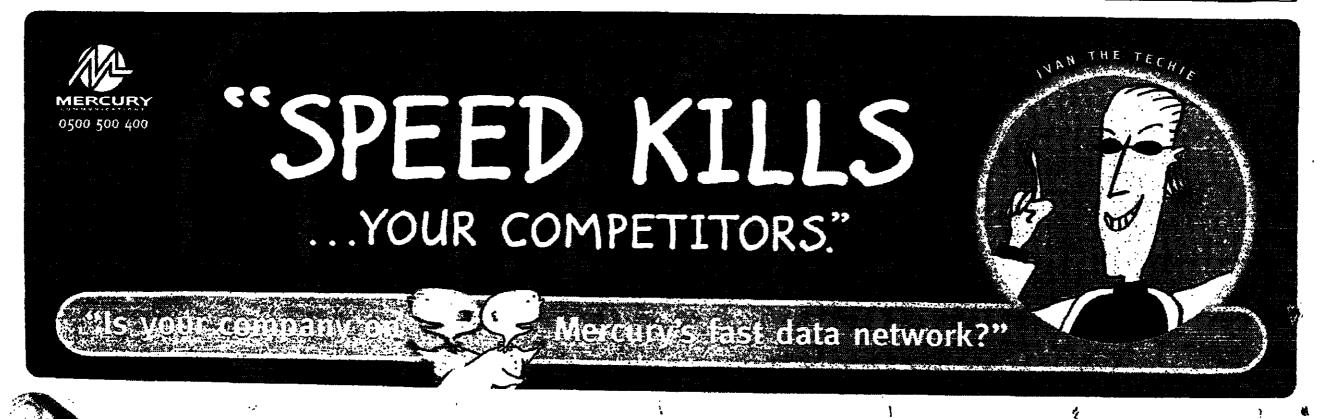
## Admiral interim up

ADMIRAL, the computer service group, continued its strong growth in the six months to June 30, helped by its overseas acquisitions, Delphy Consultants, the Belgian group bought last year for £5 million, and Ares, its new French subsidiary. Group sales grew 42 per cent to £43 million. Pre-tax profits and interest were £5.06 million, 56 per cent ahead but overshadowed by the £5.48 million last time after a £2.23 million disposal. The interim dividend was increased to 0.7p (0.58p). Earnings grew to 5.5p per share (3.8p).

## Toad wins VW order

SHARES in Toad, the AIM-listed car protection company, jumped 10p to 88p yesterday after it secured a deal worth £1.5 million a year to supply its pioneering window protection film to the Volkswagen Group. Secur-Fix, an invisible film which is stuck to side windows, was bought by Toad last August for E500,000 after trading for three years as a private company. The triple laminate film, which costs bewieen £185 to £255 to install, is designed to prevent break-ins and protect passengers from flying glass in an accident.





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☐ Market disenchantment with ICI grows ☐ Somerfield priced to go ☐ High Court rules on Leeds takeover

☐ LAZY journalists have always referred to ICI as the beliwether of the British economy. Few ever knew where the metaphor came from — the bellwether is the leader of a flock of sheep, onto whom a bell is hung to indicate which way the flock is heading. Fewer still could spell it. But ICI hung up its bell several years are

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hung up its bell several years ago and has since travelled a long way from the rest of the flock. That journey began with the split three years ago into a pure chemicals business and Zeneca, the pharmaceuticals side. Commodities businesses such as pure chemicals ride up and down with world trade tides and more often than not find them-

selves washed up on the shore. If the world economy is booming, there is a shortage of bulk commodities and prices rocket. By the time new factories are on stream, demand has peaked. The only way to cope with collapsing prices is to cut jobs and make factories more efficient, while closing the most outdated ones. This takes capacity out of the market just in time for the next upturn, and production cannot cope. So prices rocket ...
ICI has tried to fight its way

out of this trap, concentrating on growing Asian economies and building plastics plants in Pakistan, Taiwan and, possibly, China. There have been grand promises made about the poten-

Sheep that lost its way

tial of these markets — or at least until prices collapsed. The rea-sons, predictably, include a glut of polyster fibre as other new plants come on stream.

Yesterday's job losses are an acceleration of a scheme, named in grand corporate speak Value Gap and announced in February, to cope with these more difficult conditions. ICl's saving grace, short-term, is the divi-dend, the shares yielding 5.3 per cent for this year. Longer-term there is the chance, raised again yesterday, that the group will lessen its dependence on com-modities by selling some of the bulk chemicals businesses, staying with paints and speciality materials which are less depen-dent on the chemicals cycle. But this, in terms of unlocking hidden value, would be a long way from a Demerger 2, and there is the little problem of finding a buyer at this stage in

ICI's half-way figures were always going to be awful, but the market is now thoroughly disenchanted with the shares. In April it seemed as if they might breast the £10 tape; they closed

last night at 763p, with analysts putting a floor of 750p on the price only because of the divi-dend yield.

Also mitigating against dis-posals is the fact that ICI does not need the cash — indeed, the group could raise up to £2.5 billion of fresh capital if it could find anything to spend the money on. At times like these, analysts minds turn to share buy-backs. A distant prospect, but ICI would be following a path already well trodden by Britain plc. No longer the bellwether, more of a stray sheep lagging well behind the rest of the flock.

## City drives a hard bargain

AS students and other deserving poor have long known, there are some excellent bargains to be found among the perishables at the big supermarkets if one is prepared to wait until just before closing time. Somerfield shares, some analysts have suggested. are the ultimate perishable. because the chain's future as an



short. As the clock ticked away towards the end of the offer period and the City remained sniffy, the reduced price tags

duly appeared.

The shares, going for 180p to 190p initially, ended at a hargain-basement price of 145p.
This represents a forward earnings multiple of 6.5, about half that enjoyed by J Sainsbury, and a generous prospective yield of 9 per cent. With hindsight, it is not clear what else the board and its advisers could have done. They were the ultimate forced sellers. The City was not taken by prospects for a business that competed with rivals such as Sainsbury and Tesco. But Somerfield needed to float if the

banks were to get their money out. That need was reinforced by the huge rewards to directors of a successful stock market entry.

The first price tag of £540 to £570 million would have been used to repay Somerfield's debt, with some over to pay off a fraction of the far heavier borrowings of Isosceles, the vehicle for an earlier buyout and current owner of Somerfield. The price was cut once and that slim repayment to Isosceles was slimmed even further. Last night's final reduction probably wipes it out entirely, except what extra debt Somerfield can take on after flotation.

The alternative, staying private, did not offer much chance of paying off anyone's debt. The chain is not valuable enough to be broken up and sold to various retailers, because many of the individual shops would not have found buyers.

Predictably the City, having forced the price down to a level that suggests the only way the shares can go is up, was piling in last night. Advisers to Somerfield were feeling bitter. But this is the second time the company, in one guise or another, had looked at a float, and it had to happen now. There would have been no third

## A game of two bids

YOU are a director and large shareholder in Leeds United Football Club. You receive two serious offers to buy the club from public companies. Do you accept the one that promises £12 million for buying new players? Or take the other, promising £15 million for the team?

If your answer is the latter, you are not acting in the interests of football and deserve no protection in the High Court. That is why the wonderfully named Mr Justice Rattee threw out the attempt by Peter Gilman, the Leeds deputy chairman, to stop media minnow Caspian's £16.5 million purchase of Leeds. While Mr Gilman's legal case might not have held water, one has to wonder why Leslie Silver, the outgoing Leeds chairman, and Bill Fotherby, incoming Leeds chairman, are so keen on Cas-

pian's bid. After all, Leeds hired NM Rothschild, the merchant bank, which promptly advised that a rival £20 million offer from Conrad was more attractive. But instead both Mr Fotherby and Mr Silver stand to lose £1 million apiece by going with Caspian.

In fighting Mr Gilman, Caspian managed to issue a circular which contradicts its listing marticulars. particulars, a press release which contradicts its circular and redevelopment plans for land Leeds does not even own. Yet it looks like walking away with one of the Premier League's leading teams at a price that is less than a twelfth of the current value of Manchester United. Caspian is perpetrating daylight robbery. And now Mr Gilman's legal case has been thrown out, it looks like no one can stop it. Funny game, football.

## Carpet-bagger

☐ THE original carpet-baggers long before the term was attached to greedy queues outside building societies, were northern US politicians foisted on the defeated Confederacy, to the disgust of local voters. How apt the epithet seems for Brandon Gough, Kent resident newly elected to the chair of Yorkshire Water. At yesterday's rowdy annual meeting Mr Gough was equally welcomed by the locals.

# Takeover bid for Suter confirmed

SUTER, the engineering company, yesterday confirmed it had agreed a E275 million takeover bid from Ascot, bringing to an end the 15-year reign of David Abell, its controversial chairman.

The offer values Mr Abell's shares and warrants at £10 million. He also holds share options valued at around £300,000 and has a contract worth £700,000 if he leaves the company. No formal decision neering, automotive comhas been made on the future of the Suter directors, but only Bob Morris, deputy managing director, has been offered a

position on the Ascot board. Ascot is offering £763 incash and 435 Ascot shares for every 1,000 Suter shares, equivalent to 225p a share. Shares in Ascot yesterday fell 24p to 334p, valuing Suter at 1275 million. Shares in Suter

rose 18p to close at 215p.
Ascot will take on £111 million of debt to fund the deal but said it expected to substantially reduce its borrowing by November 1998. The com-

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pany will dispose of its remaining pub and hotel assets worth about £50 million. Ascot will also sell Suter's minority shareholdings and non-core businesses for between £20 and £40 million.

Howard Dyer, chairman and chief executive of Ascot, added that the company will then sell two of Suter's four main divisions which are refrigeration, speciality engiponents and chemicals. Mr Dyer said: "I do not want to be a conglomerate."

The company expects cost savings of £3 million a year from combining the two head offices but it is not contemplating any big job losses elsewhere.

Suter will also pay interim dividend of 3.9p for the six months ended June 30 provided the offer is declared unconditional while Ascot said it expects to declare a final dividend of 3.9p for the nine months ending December 31.

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## Scottish TV takes over Caledonian

By Eric Reguly

SCOTTISH TELEVISON, the ITV company that is 20 per cent owned by the Mirror Group, agreed yesterday to buy Caledonian Publishing. owner of the The Herald and Evening Times newspapers, for £120 million in cash.

Scottish Television said the deal will create a "uniquely positioned Scottish supplier of information and entertain-! ment" and will allow the new group to offer cross-media advertising packages. The integration of some operations such as computer services is expected to achieve annual costs savings of £3 million, though no immediate redundancies are contemplated.

The TV company said the acquisition will enhance earnings immediately, triggering a 7p rise in the shares, to 638p. Andrew Flanagan, managdirector of Scottish Televison, is to replace Liam Kane as Caledonian's chief

## Lloyd's funds in merger

By Jon Ashworth

TWO Lloyd's of London corporate capital funds. CLM Insurance Fund and HCG Lloyd's Investment Trust, are merging to form Corporate Insurance Fund (CIF), with underwriting capacity of £320

It intends to develop a wholly-owned managing agency, while maintaining a balanced "spread" portfolio on independent syndicates. CLM bas an option to buy JH Chappell (Underwriting consideration of £650,000.

The merger is expected to give CIF one of the lowest-cost ratios of a "spread" vehicle in the Lloyd's market.

Lord Rees, CLM chairman, is to chair the enlarged group with John Morrell deputy chairman and Michael Wade chief executive. Net asset value per CLM share rose to 108.68p (96.40p) in the six months to end-June. Interim dividend is 1.5p (1.43p).

## MAM to safeguard Cairn rights issue

By CARL MORTISHED

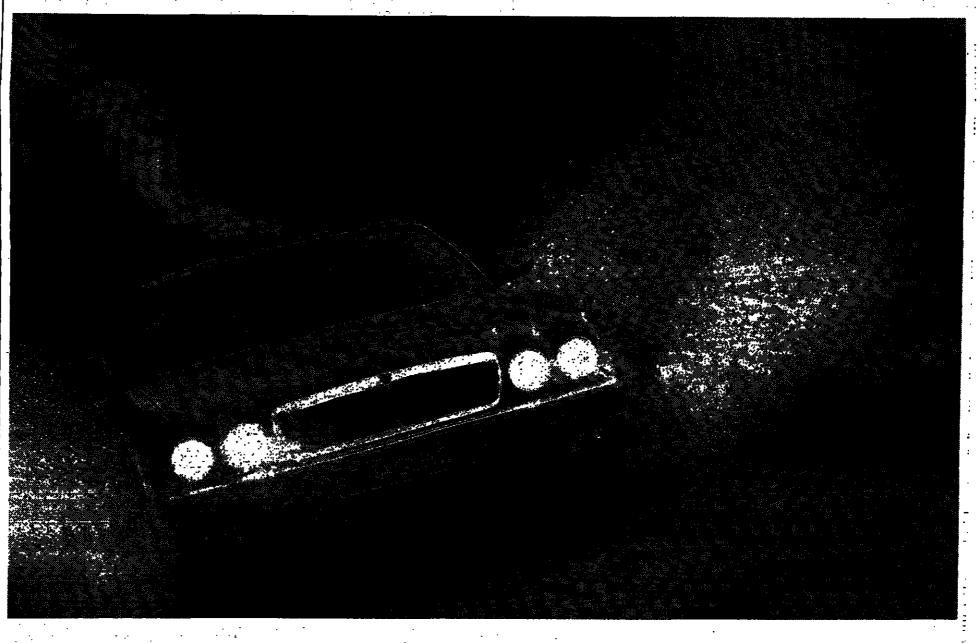
MERCURY Asset Management has agreed to subunderwrite the whole of a £50 million rights issue by Cairn Energy at the market price. Discretionary clients of the fund management group will act as underwriters of last resort for the entire 1-for-5 share issue, priced at 280p, regipared with a 281p Cairn coesing price on Wednesday.

The money raised will fund development of the Sangu gas field in offshore Bangladesh estimated to contain I trillion cubic feet of gas. MAM, which controls 11.3 per of Cairn, is

sub-underwriting the share issue for a commission of 2 per cent, compared with normal per cent. Bill Gammell, chief executive of Cairn, said: "Cairn is delighted that is has been able to raise substantial new funds in a cost efficient manner against a background of volatile equity markets." Cairn shares rose over 10

per cent to 311p on the move and the news that a subsidiary of Halliburton Group, a US oil ndustry contractor, is to acquire an interest in Sangu.

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# Award of defence orders gives new heart to shares

were bolstered yesterday by a strong Wall Street opening and the award of up to £4 billion of defence contracts to

mostly British companies. The FT-SE 100 index closed up 15.9 points at 3,684.7 in thin trading, having drifted back mid-session on disappointment with the Bundesbank's decision to leave German rates unchanged.

The FT-SE recovered, along with Wall Street, after IBM reported second-quarter earnings that were down 23 per cent to \$1.3 billion; but nonetheless above most forecasts.

Back in Britain, the Government decision to award the consortium led by British Aerospace the long-awaited £2 billion order to replace Nimrod maritime patrol aircraft, and to award BAe and France's Matra the £800 million contract for an airlaunched Cruise missile, sent BAe shares up 18p to 943p and boosted the shares of other defence companies involved.

Traders said that expectations that the orders would go to BAe have been largely discounted in the price for some months, although recent worries that the contracts would be shelved because of Treasury spending curbs have acted as a depressant.

Rolls-Royce will make the new aircraft engines with systems produced by GEC and America's Boeing, and with radar made by Racal. GEC. which also won a separate £700 million contract for a new anti-tank weapon, was up <sup>1</sup>2p to 383p. Rolls-Royce was up 712p to 224p. It will supply BR710 engines, produced by the BMW Rolls-Royce joint venture, to power the BAe Nimrod 2000 aircraft.

Racal shares eased 3p to 278p, while Cobham rose 5p to 632p. Its FR Aviation subsidiary has been chosen by BAe to re-engineer existing Nim-rod airframes. It said the contract would be worth £100 Lloyds TSB was up 912p to

338p ahead of today's results

and amid renewed hopes that

it may buy the whole of Lloyds Abbey Life after the latter reported a 28 per cent jump to nearly £260 million in halftime profits on Wednesday. Otherwise, thin volumes on the exchange were swollen by heavy trading in Bank of Scotland as investors adjusted their portfolios after BZW placed Standard Life's 32 per



Chris Evans, right, and Kevin Turnbull, chief executive, of Toad, up 13p, test their successful window security film

cent stake in the bank on Wednesday evening after a three-day formal book-building exercise. Bank of Scotland ticked up 12p to 23212p.

Scottish Television shares

were higher on news that it is to take over the £120 million Caledonia Media. STV shares

rose 7p to 638p.
Ascot Holdings' 237p offer for Suter, valuing the refrig-

long-running controversy about the terms of Dixons' East Midlands electricity shares shot ahead in the last half-hour of trading on the back of renewed speculation of a takeover bid. The shares closed at 57lp. up 32p from 539p but off their intra-

day high of 583p. The company is one of a handful of

independent electricity companies still in the bid frame.

eration, chemicals and specialist engineering group at £290 million, sent Suter's shares up 18p to 215p and Ascot down 27p to 334p.

ICI fell lop to 76lp after its second quarter proved even more difficult than anticipated, with "clean" pre-tax profits plunging 43 per cent to £165 million from £289 million a year earlier. The six-month

warranties, sent its shares down 1312p to 47912p. Nick Bubb, retail analyst, of MeesPierson called the report a "red herring", however, and said it was a buy opportunity. Boots rose 15p to 599p after it reported a 5 per cent increase in like-for-like sales at Boots The Chemists and strong signs of recovery in DIY. This prompted analysts to lift cur-

figure was £367 million (£510

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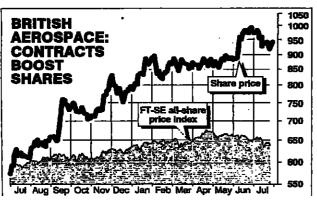
prices in industrial chemicals.

As a result, ICI is accelerating

its performance improvement

programme, involving a £137 million one-off hit.

A report by the magazine Marketing Week, reviving the



BZW raised his forecast for full-year pre-tax profits to £552 million, up £10 million. Do It All boosted like-for-like sales by 8.4 per cent in the period. **Body Shop** shares also rose in Boots' wake to close up 11p at

AIM, Toad, whose chairman is Chris Evans, was up 13p to 91p on the announcement it has secured a major contract with Volkswagen, which is to market one of its products, a security film for windows, as an approved accessory for the UK.

British Gas was up 2p to 19312p in heavy volumes on two items of news. One was a contract to sell 20 billion cubic metres of natural gas over ten vears to Wingas of Kassel Germany. The second was confirmation that it has issued a El billion writ against the Department of Trade and Industry claiming repayment of sums paid as gas levy.

Shares in Christian Salvesen, the transport company, shot up 60p to 349p after it confirmed that it had received an approach from Hays, the business services group. Hays fell 26p to 414p. Reuters slid 17p to 686p after falling 25p on Wednesday. Traders said doubts about the company's ability to maintain its very high rating emerged after cautious comments from the management

at half-time on Wednesday. Shares in WS Atkins, the civil engineering consultancy. set a premium on their first day of trading. The shares were floated at 215p and ended at 229p. valuing the company at £197.8 million.

☐ GILT-EDGED: Bond prices closed largely unchanged after a dip during the day on the back of a smaller than expected coverage of the long gift auction. Prices later recovered in line with rising German and US markets. In the futures pit, the Sep-

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## **TEMPUS**

# Little logic in logistics

IF Christian Salvesen's board are looking for guidance over the next few weeks, they could do worse than ask John Clark, the former chief executive of BET, the services group that recently succumbed to a bid from Rentokil. Hays has yet to launch a bid for Salvesen. Yet. there are some similarities in the circumstances of both sets of companies and the comparisons to be drawn are not flattering for either Hays or Salvesen.

The latter company was yesterday pouring large buckets of cold water on the thought that a deal might be agreed with Hays. However, Salvesen, like the unfortunate BET, has been living under a cloud. Its share price has performed in dismal fashion, scarcely breaching 200p for the last three years. Salvesen has shown itself to be in thrall to UK food For Hays, which also owns a logistics business, the question must be why it seeks to increase its presence in such a poor market. The takeover, which could cost Hays El billion at yesterday's market price, would make Hays the second largest logistics group in the UK, after NFC. A dubious prize, it has to be said, in the circumstances. Nor can Hays add anything to Salvesen's most successful business. Aggreko, which leases air conditioning plant.

Hays reckons the real prize is in Europe but few distribution groups have made a success of that market and investors were hoping for more developments in specalist distribution in the UK, not megabids. As with Rentokil, there must be the suspicion that Hays is seeking a big deal to propel a growth rate that threatened to slow.

Cairn Energy CAIRN Energy has found its

sugar daddy and, contrary to earlier market speculation, it isn't Mobil. Nor is it Halliburton, the American contractor which yesterday agreed a 25 per cent farm-in to Cairn's Bangladeshi gas field. The mystery benefactor is Mercury Asset Management, which is underwriting the entirety of Cairn's £50 million cash call at a com-

mission rate of 0.5 per cent. In truth, it was not a difficult decision for MAM. Over the past year, the fund manager has seen its investment in Cairn triple in value and prospects still look good for Cairn in Bangladesh. The oil company is expecting production of about 200 million cubic feet per day in a country that is currently suffering a power shortage,

lion cubic feet. Cairn's production sharing contract with the government of Bangladesh gives it 50 per cent of the profit oil and a gas price not far from current prices for North Sea gas.

In volunteering to act as insurer for the entire fundraising at less than half the normal rate. MAM will have saved Cairn about

£400,000 in underwriting fees - a significant sum for a small oil company. That is a welcome development in the light of the OFI's concern about commission rates, but it raises another question. If fund managers are becoming so proactive, what is the role left for merchant bankers and what is the justification for their fees?

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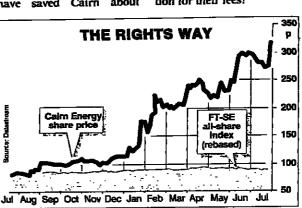
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## **British Telecom**

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DO NOT be surprised if BT goes knocking on the door of Cable and Wireless again. Citing irreconcilable differences, the two companies ended their merger negotiations in May and decided to pursue independent strategies. But, for each, the problems remain. C&W still bears more resemblance to an investment trust than a global telecoms group, and BT, with its domestic operations, has to deal with the regulator.

BT's quarterly results only reinforce the perception that BT needs to break out of its British prison. Oftel-imposed price reductions reduced its turnover by £130 million and international call revenue and growth are on the wane. The situation will only get worse when the Government awards a flurry of new overseas call licences later this year. Cellnet, BT's mobile phone company, continues to grow by leaps and be foolish to expect it to reverse BT's fortunes. The mobile phone market is on the verge of a price war and it is only a matter of time before Oftel takes an interest in the pricing structure and restrictive trade practices of mobile phone companies, including the absence of phone-number portability. BT should go out of its way

to avoid a monopolies referral over the fair-trading clause that Oftel wants to attach to its licence and pursue an overseas expansion strategy. Joining forces with C&W still looks like the best option, and the market appears to agree. The shares of both companies rocketed when merger talks were announced but plummeted when the talks collapsed

## Suter

SHAREHOLDERS in Suter, the engineering company. are probably feeling some relief that Ascot has provided

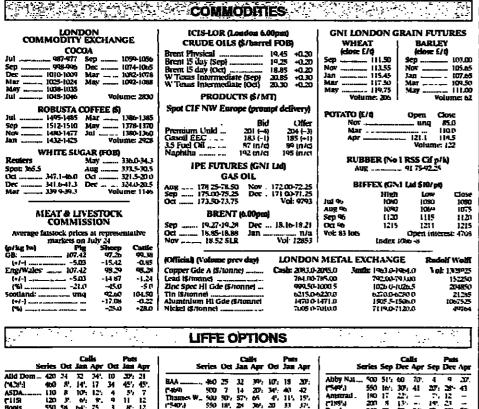
cape a lengthy period in the doldrums. But Ascot shareholders will have a few concerns over the £266 million takeover.

Success will depend on Ascot's ability to quickly reduce borrowings of EllI million. Ascot has done well so far auctioning its own businesses but the company's ability to get good prices for both its remaining assets and the non-core Suter businesses cannot be taken for granted by investors.

Equally, Ascot's reluctance identify which Suter divisions will be retained has worried some in the City. Protestations that the new Ascot will not be a conglomerate seem at odds with a strategy that in its vagueness brings to mind the conglomerate approach to takeovers.

Suter shareholders will shed few tears about selling out but Ascot's investors should cast a critical eve over forthcoming disposals.

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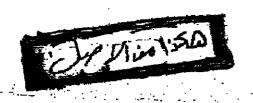
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## Mr Merseyside bows out

JOHN MOORES, eldest son of Sir John Moores. founder of the Littlewoods Organisation, is retiring from the board after 50 years with the company. Known as Mr Merseyside. the old-Etonian joined Littlewoods straight after leaving school to be made an executive director four years later. As Chancellor of The Liverpool John Moores University and freeman of the City of Liverpool, one of Moores's Aost treasured titles is his presidency of the Aberdeen Angus Cattle Society. At 67, he has bred pedigree cattle for almost 40 years.

AFTER a tense legal bat-tle, the whistle has been blown, and Caspian, the media publishing group, has emerged as the winner in its pre-season "un-friendly" for Leeds United. Defenders-turned-strikers, Edge & Ellison, the firm of legal advisers, was cheering from the sideline all the way. So, is it Elland Road season tickets all round? Perhaps not — David Mandell, lead partner on the deal, is an Arsenal supporter.

Cresswell's rules DAVID CRESWELL may not be a well-known name outside City circles but millions of investors have reason to be grateful to him. As a final act before departing today for a new charity venture, called Gifts in Kind, the spokesman for the Investors Compensation Scheme, the ultimate safety net for people who lose money through bad advice, theft or traud, has penned a handy fact sheet telling us all how to avoid the investment sharks. Not only is Creswell's 101 Golden Rules for Investors tequired reading, but it might also reduce the £100 million the ICS has paid



out since 1988.

"There weren't many other applicants"

## Tin box estate

ROCKETER Estate, home of the founder of Metal Box Company, is for sale at offers of £975,000. Surrounded by formal gar-dens and paddocks, Sir Robert Barlow bought the 80-acre estate in 1942. The wealthy industrialist lived on the estate in the woodlands of Wendover until his death in 1976. It was while living in the Chilterns that the tin box maker was knighted for his contribution to the ship building industry. Margaret Rawlings, the actress and wealthy industrialist's wife, who once joked that she had married a tinker, djed last May, aged 90.

**Fountainhead** FIDELITY Investments. located in a lavish 31-acre estate in Kent, is forking out a fortune for a huge revolving fountain. In anticipation of chairman Ned Johnson Ill's arrival in England, builders are working hammer and tongs, under his instruction from across the pond. to get the fountain finished by August. In spite of the water shortage in Kent last year, the world's largest fund management organisation is determined to have the fountain up and rafining by the time Johnson touches down on its turf hallowed Tonbridge.

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British Gas's application relates to the first generation North Sea gas fields, in which development started in the 1960s and the early 1970s

# Pressure rises as British Gas puts Government in the dock

rits are stacking up in the gas in-dustry. No fewer than 28 were is sued yesterday as British Gas dropped the bombshell that it wanted £1 billion — plus interest — back from the Government for tax over-payment.

At issue is the levy exercised on gas by the Government and contract law. But the weightier context of the surprise move by the company is British Gas's, obligations to buy a large quantity of gas at prices higher than it can sell it for. And to do that while facing a harsh regulatory price review.

The Department of Trade and Industry thinks British Gas has got its tax law mud-dled. But should the company be proved right, the DTI has . issued 27 parallel writs to the one it received from British Gas. These would be served against gas producers and and hence taxpayers, from the blow of repaying British Gas...

The argument revolves around the tax paid on gas the Gas Levy - which currently delivers to the Chancellor of the Exchequer 4p a therm when gas arrives from offshore fields at the beach. That tax delivered £150 million in the past financial year and has brought in £3.2 billion over the past ten years. The levy is charged on the field producing

That someone has to pay the levy is not in doubt. But what is now in doubt is whether in some of the contracts involving-British Gas it should be the gas it is bleeding a great deal of producers rather than the com- money.

Christine Buckley examines the issues behind the £1 billion writ and weighs up the implications

pany. Already gas producers , pay the levy under some arrangements where the gas is bought other than under specified contracts. British Gas's tax demand

relates to about a third of its North Sea contracts - some of its oldest arrangements with fields that began their development in the 1960s - and its legal arguments hinge on those contracts having gone through sufficient changes to invalidate the gas levy.

The 24 contracts relating to eight fields all pre-date 1975 which is when the Petroleum Revénue Tax was enforced by a government keen to tap benefits from the rapidly expanding oil fields as the value of oil subsequently introduced in 1981 to tax gas which had been exempted from the Petroleum Revenue Tax — that is those fields already producing gas before 1975.

It was condemned by some as a windfall tax to capture parts of the industry which had escaped the Petroleum Revenue Tax. Any aggrievement that British Gas felt at the time is likely to be exacerbated by the fact that gas prices have plunged and it is locked into buying the fuel at prices way above the market rate. It is effectively now paying a windfall tax on contracts from which

British Gas and the DTI will now thrash out the legal arguments. If British Gas serves the writ on the Government, the DII will bounce its parallel actions on the gas producers. So far the producers, which include Shell, BP, Amerada Hess, Lasmo and Enterprise, are reluctant to comment on the DTPs possible action. Their



unlikely to accept their fate and proportion of the burden of £1 billion plus interest without mounting a legal battle of their

Many of the companies facing protective action from the DTI are currently in talks with British Gas over renegotiating take-or-pay contracts. Under these contracts, British Gas faces a shortfall of about £4 billion. Although the tax and renegotiation issues are separate, British Gas's action is likely to turn up the pressure in the talks. It could be that the tax move is a strong-arm attempt to focus the minds of the gas producers, but its effectiveness will lie in its legal legitimacy and the veracity of British Gas's case on contract law and

those which have undergone the most substantile change Arrangements drawn up betions, but the producers are tween British Gas and gas producers on first generation fields have evolved in relation to the changing structure of energy taxation and in relation to the varying developments of the fields themselves. The con-tracts in principle cover the development of the field for the duration of its life. But the development of the field is something that cannot be anticipated with absolute accuracy at the onset of the contract. It is the degree to which the evolution of the fields affect tax legislation on which British Gas is arguing its legal case. British Gas is reluctant to

expand on its legal application, but it is likely to involve the amount of tax it has paid on fields that have developed beyond the company's wishes or needs and from which excess gas has been sold to other gas buyers. Under arrangements such as these, the producer would be required to pay part of the levy relating to the field which it would then seek to

recover from its additional customer or customers. The highly technical nature of taxation application according to material changes in contracts is the subject of regular negotiations by corporate lawyers. What makes yesterday's action by British Gas stand out is the huge sum involved in the one-off unprecendented writ against the DTL

British Gas has paid more than £5.6 billion under the Gas Levy since its introduction. Under legal constraints, exerted by the Limitation Act, Brit-ish Gas is acting to recover tax paid over the past ten years. Its legal advice has indicated that in order to initiate legal action it must move within six years of the Royal Assent of the Finance Act. The sixth anniversary is

If British Gas wins its tax battle, it will undoubtedly be a splash of good news in an otherwise troubled period for the company. Whether it will be of sufficient magnitude to hang out any flags is another matter. Payment of the El billion and the interest would be likely to be staged and the company would also be likely to face calls to pass some of its benefit to customers.

Meanwhile, the sword of Ofgas still hangs over British Gas with its pricing formula for TransCo, the pipelines division. The controversial moves announced by the regulator in May created a storm of protest from the company and from British Gas shareholders. After initial plans for a formula threatened to cut revenues by £850 million a year, British Gas argued that it would have to cut half the workforce of TransCo to meet targets. Since then Ofgas has twice stalled final proposals in what is being interpreted by some parties as a prelude to softening the

The company's £1 billion tax demand, effectively a charge against the Government for overpaying, will add to the political and regulatory pressure over the price review.

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# Yearning for just a small touch of inflation

Alasdair Murray detects a mood

of nostalgia in some companies

ness, or so the economic orthodoxy of the past two decades has maintained. Businesses need a low inflation environment so that they can plan without throwing medium-term investment and pricing strategies into financial turmoil.

The UK is enjoying one of the longest periods of low inflation in recent memory, with the headline retail price index index falling last month to just 2.1 per cent.

Surprisingly, however, not every company is entirely happy with this apparent breakthrough. It may be only a quiet murmur at present, tucked away in the fine print of a trading statement or made as an aside at an interivew, but if you listen carefully you can definitely hear the distinct sound of nostalgia for the high inflation days of the last decade. This nostalgia is most promi-

nent among retailers who have struggled in recent years to persuade disillusioned consumers to spend. The pressures of com-

petition have forced retailīnto ers tough pricecutting battles and even now, when confidence is starting to return, companies are finding it tough to restore battered

margins. Onite simply, comnanies have

found that it difficult to pass on price rises in a low inflation environment. When consumers are not enjoying hefty annual wage rises they are reluctant to spend any more than they have to on items such as food and drink. The food retailing sector

has suffered particularly heavily because of the inability to pass on costs to the consumer. Companies are unable to grow their way out of trouble. They have to concentrate on winning new customers from rivals. This has resulted in fierce price cutting, causing margins to fall about 13 per cent in the past three yers. The biggest loser has been Sainsbury, where profits collapsed by £100 million last year.

The sector has repeatedly tried to break the vicious cycle of price wars by emphasising the benefits to vice and loyalty cards, but until now consumer resistance to increased prices has remained solid. The drinks

drum. In the Eighties, the sector boomed as aspirational-led marketing campaigns were used persuade consumers to drink ever more expensive spirits. But after the collapse in consumer confidence, the industry has found it almost

any price rises. The drinks sector has underperformed the FT-SE 100 for the past three years and even former blue-chip stocks have been forced to think the unthinkable in attempts to break the cycle - in the case of Guinness pondering but rejecting a £13 billion take-over of Grand Metropolitan. But Allied Domecq has probably been hurt most in recent years, suffering a 21 per cent fall in full-year profits after it managed to force through only a below inflation I per cent rise on its spirits. Housebuilders have

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Property developers have also been hit because the current low rents make new Lack of inflation of net asset values has made the companies a less attractive investment for institutions

seeking a hedge fund. A small dose of inflation would almost certainly do wonders for the spirits of long suffering directors at companies hit by low inflation. Many consumers would also appreciate a return to less fiscally strict times.

But for the older section of the population, asset and savings heavy, inflation is a nightmare, wiping out years of work in an instant. With the international markets and an increasingly large section of the voting populareturn of inflation, the inflation-loving sector of British industry realises it will have to find a new trick to restore decimated balance sheets.

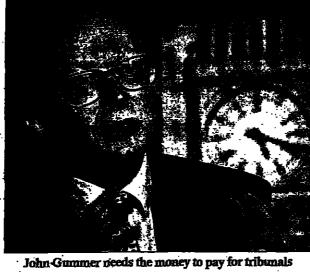
# Leaseholders gain fresh rights but who will fund the Bill?

Tohn Gummer and his environment ministers may hope they have silenced, at least temporarily, the clamour for leasehold reform. Pages of closely typed amendments and clauses intended to improve passed into law this week as the Housing Bill became an Act.

But the Act is almost certain-ly just the start of a bitter spen-ding battle between the Department of the Environment, in implementing the reforms, and the Treasury, which will fight tooth and nail not to spend an extra penny of public money. Leasehold reform has been

high on the political agenda this year as the Government struggled to satisfy demands for reform, after widespread evidence of abuse by rogué landlords. Flatowners found themselves on the end of unreasonably large bills for management and repairs. Demands for explanations were met with silence or intimidation. Refusals to pay were met with threats of forfeiture of the lease and thus loss of the home. Freeholds changed hands at auction overnight without leaseholders' knowledge, in spite of rules which gave leaseholders first right of refusal. It was obvious that existing rules were being flouted with impunity.

new rights to challenge service charges without the prospect of forfeiture and to replace incom-petent landlords with independent managers. It also provides for strengthened rights for leaseholders to buy the freehold of their property and the



prospect of cheaper access to justice in landlord/tenant disputes through Leasehold Valuation Tribunals. Even the Government's critics, including the Labour Party and campaigners for leasehold reform, welcome many of the changes although they argue that they do not go far enough. The centrepiece of the latest reforms is the establishment of Leasehold Valuation Tribunals to handle service charge disputes and the appointment of managers to take over if necessary from incompetent land- 7 lords. This, ministers argue, would solve one of the most

glaring defects of the existing

system. At present, disputes be-

tween tenants and landlords

can only be resolved in the

ning the risk of incurring large legal costs from landlords equipped with expensive lawyers. Not surprisingly, lew leaseholders have been prepared to take this risk.

The tribunals will charge a flat fee of £500 per application, so leaseholders can share the cost if they apply jointly. Tribueither side (but there is nothing to stop landlords reclaiming their costs through service charges if leases allow this).

The Government expects a large increase in the number of challenges to landlords when the cheaper system starts. If there is to be a large increase in demand for LVT hearings, many more county courf, with tenants run- tribunals will be needed. In

network is so clogged that people are waiting six months for a hearing and four months for a result, according to the Leasehold Enfranchisement Advisory Service

So where is the money coming from to fund the increased network? The answer is from existing, stretched Environ-ment Department budgets, unless the department can prise more money out of the Treasury in the next public expenditure round. Because of the Treasury's

reluctance to spend money, the Government tried to pass the full cost on to the leaseholders. But such was the outcry that it was forced to compromise. The £500 fee still does not satisfy critics who argue that the cost should be no more than that for the county court, a maximum of about £120. The Campaign Against Residential Leasehold Abuse (Carla) described the £500 charge as outrageous.

The figure was accepted by both Houses of Parliament just hours before the Housing Act found its way on to the statute books. But now the gap be-tween payment and cost of LVTs has to be bridged somehow by the public purse, as does the cost of funding extra tribunals. A consultation paper

Many are in no doubt that extra money will have to be found to make the proposed system work. Or the clamour for further reform will start up again louder than ever.

SARA MCCONNELL

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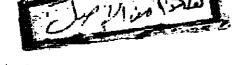
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■ THEATRE 1 War, lechery and cynicism: Troilus and Cressida

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new treatment

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■ THEATRE 2 Loose Restoration: Rogues to Riches brings unsophisticated silliness to a

Farquhar comedy





■ MUSIC Mark Elder conducts the Proms premiere of Bax's Spring Fire, written over 80 years ago



**■** TOMORROW

Gospel truth: the music of the Deep South is big business, and Kirk Franklin is the biggest name

THEATRE: The Bard in cynical mood; Farquhar with the sting removed; a mixed bag at a Polish drama festival

# The love of war in a lust cause

The ravish'd Helen, Menelaus's queen, with wanton Paris sleeps —"and that's the quarrel!", wails Richard McCabe's Thersites in his best believe it or not voice at the opening of Ian Judge's production. A glance at the text confirms that the words A glance at the text confirms that the words actually belong to Prologue; but it would be ungrateful to complain of their hijacking when the speaker is in every sense giving the performance of the evening. With his pale, bloated face, lank hair and awful ingratiating smirk, his Thersites is part depraved clown, part gloating chorus and, when he assures us that all is your and leckers, were much the write. that all is war and lechery, very much the voice of Shakespeare's most cynically modern play.

Boldly, inventively, but with uneven success, Judge's revival seeks to suggest that war is a kind of lechery and lechery a sort of war. Homo-eroticism patently has its place among the Grecian tents and, when Philip Quast's Achilles wants to menace Louis Hilyer's hefty, sweaty Hector, he does so by slipping out of his gown and flashing his naked body at him. I have never seen so many jockstraps, rippling pectorals and rolling buttocks on a classical stage. At times the Trojan War might be the battle of the Chippendales.

I do not think that Will, even when in hot pursuit of Mr W. H., would altogether have approved. Where is the exhaustion, the dilapidation of a war that has, after all, been dragging on for seven enervating years? It is there in John Gunter's marvellous set, mainly a vast metal wall, a grey patchwork of rumpled tin and corrugated iron with bumps and rills and patches of red paint. It is there in Edward de Souza's Agamemnon, less Homer's "leader of men" than Lewis Carroll's flummoxed White Knight. But it eludes the hunks and heroes on

And if there is too much sensuality on the battlefield, there is too little in the bedroom. Both Joseph Fiennes's Troilus and Victoria Hamilton's Cressida try to emphasise their own immaturity and vulnerability and, hence, the fragility of their love. That is fine, up to a point. Troilus and Cressida RST, Stratford

But Fiennes introduces so much adolescent throb and romantic sob into his performance that you feel he is playing Romeo in his whingeing Rosaline period rather than the Troilus whom Philip Voss's fine Ulysses calls a true knight and second Hector, as "firm of word" as of deed.

Still, he has his vivid moments, as does that brilliantly precocious young actress, Victoria Hamilton. In Troy her Cressida is bright, pert, sweet, with a slight undertow of melancholy and, when she is wrested from Troilus and and, when she is wrested from I rollus and handed to the Greeks, she is clearly a shaken, disoriented girl. But is this enough to explain her sexual defection? Is Ulysses merely voicing 9th-century sexism when he says that "her wanton spirits look out at every joint and motive of her body"? Hamilton has the quick intelligence of the survivor, but nothing much is peering from her ankles and elbows, least of all

Still, there are plenty of other characters to justify Shakespeare's scepticism about love. heroism and the whole damned thing. Clive Francis's Pandarus slithers and undulates about looking as if he has wandered in from The Mikado but exuding sleaze with terrific

Ray Fearon's Paris and Katia Caballero's Helen seem less a golden than a gilded couple, down to the weird glittering crewcut that substitutes for his hair. They saunter onstage in their bangles, proceed not only to pioneer French kissing but to rehearse a few holds from the Kamasutra, and depart as serenely as celebrities from a movie premiere in Beverly Hills. And it is for this pair that Greeks and Trojans are dying. There, as elsewhere, Judge has made the Bard's point for him.

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Puppy love: Joseph Fiennes as Troilus and the "brilliantly precocious" Victoria
BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Puppy love: Joseph Fiennes as Troilus and the "brilliantly precocious" Victoria
Hamilton as Cressida — too much "adolescent throb and romantic sob" in their affair

# Gloomy, but rarely dull idway between Warsaw and

far bank of the Vistula, the city of Torun has managed to survive wars, sieges, parti-tions and other horrors of the past five centuries with most of its ancient buildings intact. Copernicus was born here and gingerbread has been made for 200 years in the shop opposite the cathedral, to be carried away in bright orange bags by travellers and school-

Since the change of regime in 1989, summer visitors have also been able to take away impressions of international theatre from the Kontakt Festival organised annually by Krystyna Meissner, director of the city's Wilam Horzyca Theatre. The quality of this year's 17 productions, mostly from the former Eastern bloc.

proved as varied as the venues (theatres, sports halls, a converted church, a railway station), but there was no doubt in the minds of the international jury that the first prize should go to the Berlin Volksbühne's Murx den

Europäer. Christian Marthaler's "patriotic evening" came to London last year as part of the London International Festival of Theatre, where some critics dismissed it as the acme of boredom because the II characters appear to do little more than sit patiently at tables in a vast office where no work is ever done, bleakly speaking trivial thoughts and coming together only in the amazing

moments of song.

Music is the narrator. Into the few moments of each song's duration — pop song, patriotic hymn, Schubert reverie - is compressed the pain of 40 years of wasted life. For these are citizens of the former East Germany, their hopes dashed, their state a failure of history. Marthaler is a German Swiss, and perhaps only someone with an outsider's viewpoint could have found, so soon after unification, a theatrical metaphor with such power to convey the experience of waiting for nothing.

Estonia's Tallinna Linnateater staged Pianola, quarried from Chekhov's first extant play, untitled but known in this country as Platonov or Wild Honey. Productions strong on text test our capacity to evaluate when the language is very foreign, but Elmo Nüganen's superbly acted production (he also played Platonov) introduced several intriguing ways of positioning an audience to the play.

The most obvious, but nonetheless unusual, was to rotate the theatre through 90 degrees during the interval and give the audience, which is on stage with the actors, an altered viewpoint. But during recent renovations at the Linnateater several forgotten rooms and

to maintain the magic.

The evening's big disappointment was Christine

Brewer's singing of the Four

Kontakt Festival Torun, Poland

inspired

passages were discovered behind the stage, and Nüganen decided to use them (and reproduce them in Torun for his production.

During the after-show dis-cussion, where on some nights the criticism is crisply unin-hibited, he compared what he had created to "a black box with many camera eyes". A rare sense of a play's status offering only a fragment of the life of its characters emerged from the glimpses we caught of meals, arguments and domestic activity occurring through doorways and under arches. Oh, and everything was set inside a mechanical piano – a pianola.

More vistas opened up in Piotr Fornienko's staging of Ola Mukhina's Tania-Tania for the Moskovskiy Tieatr. best described as a Gorkvish fantasy set in 1996. One of the three talented and beautiful actresses opened a door at the back of the stage and ran out into the busy square.

From further across Siberia came a Muslim version of the story of Joseph and his brothers, performed by a company from Tadzhikistan overfond of what Giles Havergal used to call "ears on stalks" acting. I preferred In the Godforsaken Land from even further east, the gulag territory of Yakutsk: a mesmerisingly slow account of survival at the lowest depths

Polski in Wroclaw (to which the audience was transported by coach) the vis( tas were already provided by the arches and platforms of a disused station in the heart of the city, converted by the company when its own theatre burnt down.

Here we were shown Immanuel Kant, a puzzler of a play by Thomas Bernhard, in which the philosopher is imagined crossing the Atlantic with his wife, servant and attentive parrot, in the company of a millionairess who wants to raise the Titanic.

Behind the main actors nameless others could be seen, dancing and squabbling in counterpoint, while beyond these, glimpsed through windows, tableaux representing (so I guess) Kant's fears whizzed past on floats. It was fascinating to look at but baffling for someone ignorant of Kant's thought and his possible fondness for caged birds. Everyone I spoke to young or old, knew all about Kant and kept asking what British plays asked questions about how to live and how best to restore the equilibrium of the universe. I did not have any answers.

JEREMY KINGSTON

# Not really naughty and much too nice

nother Restoration comedy gets rough handling, rejigged as a musical. Three summers ago, Lust Circa 1661 crudely attempted to pump up Wycher-ley's The Country Wife for the West End. That was a sorry flop. Now, arriving from America, Rogues to Riches proves little better. Robert Sevra's book is very loosely based on Farquhar's sharp

comedy The Beaux' Stratagem. Wendy Toye's production offers too much unsophisticated silliness jazzed up with loud colours and a mishmash of periwigs and

1950s quiffs. The fundamental story sur-

vives. Aimwell and Archer (Robin Hart and Anthony Drewe), two roving gents who have squandered their fortunes on the pleasures of

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been messing with the plot. We now have a spacious masked ball and pointless escapade with highwaymen and ladies disguised **NOW BOOKING TO** monks. Fragments of Farquhar's script survive but amid new chat that waters **11 JANUARY 1997** down his colourful language and wit. More irksomely, the "COMPLETELY REDEFINES songs, scored by Lynn Crigler, though tuneful and varied, **MODERN MUSICAL** are flashily sentimental compared to Farquhar's cynical spirit. We lose his radical STAGING" happy" ending where lovers

Rogues to Riches Watermill, Newbury London, hole up in Lichfield. Incognito as master and ser-vant, they make a beeline for the finest local skirts with

Someone, however, has lyrics that could have been written for the serenely scenic Watermill.

Ah well, the company at are cheery. harmonise with aplomb and gusto, refreshingly accompanied only by a piano and cello. Peter Moreton makes a entertainingly hopeless highway-man, blundering around eagerly but with a scared-stiff stare. Jacqueline Charlesworth's giggling chamber-maid has pleasing bounce. She kicks off with an amusing mock aria, moaning about the boredom of this pastoral idyll,

The major hitch is that our rakish heroes are damnably low on naughty spark. Hart's Aimwell grins handsomely but at nothing in particular. Drewe's Archer brings out none of the jokes about a flamboyantly snave chap concealed in a lacker's livery. Still, he does rise to some smoothie swankiness when tickling ladies' fancies. There are also moments of irresistible ridiculousness with absurdly tame sword

A trio of friars also sidekick their way through the drinking song, chorusing (hallelujah) to love and ale. fights casually conducted with one hand through side doors.

KATE BASSETT MARILYN KINGWI



Losing the plot Sarah Jane Hassell and Robin Hart in Robert Sevra's Restoration musical, Rogues to Riches

## CONCERTS: Arnold Bax makes a belated debut at the Albert Hall; plus a contemporary tangent in Chester

Spring comes late to the Proms

IN A programme that includ ed the most frequently played piece in Proms history -Wagner's Tannhäuser overture, with more than 250 performances — it was refreshing to hear an important English work written more than 80 years ago notching up its first Prom: Arnold Bax's Spring Fire, which Mark Elder and the BBC Symphony Orchestra saved until the end of their concert on Wednes-

danced to celebrate a divorce

Spring Fire, in which Bax attempted "to depict the first uprush and impulse of spring in the woods", has had an unhappy performance history. Written in 1913 - the Rite

rhythms to conjure up pagan orgies, only an infinite variety BBC SO/Elder Albert Hall/Radio 3

of Spring year — it was not premiered until 1970, long after its composer's death. Conceived on a symphonic scale in five interconnected sidered difficult: its sensuous scoring does make big demands on a large orchestra. But much of the musical interest is in the orchestration

of instrumental colouring. Bax can sound patchy, but not when performances have

the fervent intensity Elder brought to the music here. With equal care and passion he evoked the dark, enchanted woods of the opening, the rapturous love music of the fourth movement, and the final, frenzied appearance of Bacchus's attendants. Elder gave a no less loving performance of Dvorák's concert overture In Nature's Realm: a

a work that applies symphonic logic to spirited, spontaneoussounding themes.

The theme of nature had been developed before the interval, not least in the Venusberg music from Tannhāuser; but as bacchanals go, this one was too well-behaved. At least the women of the Trinity College of Music Chamber Choir sang alluringly as sirens. Even in Wagner, Elder is worth hearing, but it was a pity that, having shaped a dark, soft-

# Reflecting history, not repeating it

IN THEORY, there should have been a good audience for Psappha's concert at the Chester Summer Music Festival. The artistic director, Andrew Burn, had led his audience gently round the Schumann circle for the first 12 days of the festival, keeping in touch with Mendelssohn and Chopin and Brahms. Then he had offered the least abrupt of tangents into the contemporary scene. But it doesn't work like that.

just as you have to know that

the Wesley Methodist Church

is not the severe venue the

Psappha Chester

know that Robin Holloway's Fantasy Pieces, Op 16, are abundant in romantic echoes of Schumann's Heine Liederkreis, Op 24. So, in spite of every best

intention, more than half of the not very many people there had already thought about the legitimacy of Holloway's inspiration in Fantasy Pieces. The convincing moment — as name might suggest, you have Christopher Gayford's inter-

pretation with Psappha confirmed - is the third movement, which is moving, not by means of allusions to Schumann melody or harmony, but by means of a passionate and sustained development of a mere accompaniment figure. Long before that point, in fact, nostalgia has been converted into a new, intensely personal experience.

Although the background is rarely so prominently presented as foreground material. much new music is projected on to an existing image. The images behind Piers Hella-

well's Stone Carvings from the Ice Wall are primitive musical idioms and sculptural shapes, producing a series of rhythmically provocative little pieces. Meanwhile, if John Cooney's image of an oboe striving to free itself from entanglement with a string quartet is not what actually emerges in his Taking Liberties, there is no doubt about the dramatic impact of musical events derived from the Book of Daniel in Sally Beamish's Into the Furnace.

GERALD LARNER

Last Songs. With her sumptuous tone and substantial soprano she is probably as good in Strauss as anything. But she poured out vocalise that robbed the songs of their deep expressiveness. The laboured accompaniments did not help.

JOHN ALLISON



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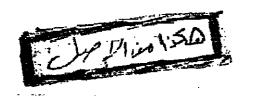
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POP 1

Talented, Irish and 24, Sinéad Lohan presses at the limits of the folk singer's art



POP 2

The Sex Pistols' Finsbury Park comeback is released on CD and proves to be good stuff



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Alan Jackson makes the mistake of congratulating singer Sinéad Lohan on the excellence of her debut folk album



POP 3

Irish newcomers, The Frames DC, scale the peaks of "blind love and black poetry on a new album



POP 4

At the age of 51, Jimmie Dale Gilmore emerges as an unlikely cult hero for the Nineties

JAZZ ALBUMS

## Dead inspired

DAVID MURRAY OCTET

Dark Star - the Music of the Grateful Dead (Astor Place TCD 4002) ALTHOUGH the juxtaposition of one of America's most highly regarded contemporary jazz saxophonists with a band epitomising hippiedom at its most unreconstructed might seem anomalous. David Murray's association with the Dead is based un a genuine appreciation of their music and thorough approval of their impro-

visatory spirit.
The album from a concert at Madison Square Gardens in September 1993 at which Murray and blues harpist James Cotton joined the rock band, and the octet's "avant gutbucket" style brings a rumbustious brio to such familiar Dead fare as Shakedown Street. The real meat of the album, though, lies in Murray's more adventurous arrangements of Estimated Prophet and - the highlight - Dark Star, which combines swirling free jazz with a suitably dreamy, discursive trumpet improvisation on the plaintive psychedelic anthern.

JIM MULLEN We Go Back

(EFZ 1018) GLASWEGIAN guitarist Jim Mullen is still best known for his 1970s fusion work but, as his faultless playing on this album attests, he is, at heart, a superb straight-

ahead jazz musician. We Go Back collects some of Mullen's favourenines from his 30-vear career, intersperses them with a number of jaunty originals, and feeds them through his own neat but eloquent, thumb-picked, single-note style.

impeccably supported by planist Gareth Willianis, bassist Mick Hutton and the precise yet supple drumming of Gary Husband, Mullen demonstrates that post-Hendrix pyrotechnics and electronic trickery are not the only routes to exciting contemporary guitar music.

CHRIS PARKER

OK then, who does she think

she is?

Ithough she per-forms at the Cam-bridge Folk Festival Leland's Sinéad Lohan bristles at any assumption that she must, therefore, be a folk singer. That her highly impressive debut album, Who Do You Think I Am, has been greeted as one of the best folk releases of the year, or that she has recently completed the second of two British tours

supporting the American queen of that medium, Joan Baez, is also neither here nor there. Talented, intractable and just 24 years old, she has no patience with those who would stereotype

"People see a female singersongwriter with an acoustic guitar and no band

pigeonhole and promptly you," she says. But, while Lohan may turn out to be something very different to a folk artist, there is no denying that she has made a folk record, and a very good one at that. However, much of the responsibility — she stops for the fact it fits so decisively into that genre lies with its

producer, Declan Sinott. A long-time musical associate of the melodic Irish singer Mary Black, he heard Lohan singing in a small club in her home city of Cork in 1992 and made it his mission to put her quite lovely voice on record. Sinott took two-and-ahalf years to shape a project that is, musically at least, almost indistinguishable from any of the polite but wellreceived albums he has produced for Black.

Therein lies the rub for Lohan. "I am eternally grateful to Declan for recording me in the first place," she says,

he did a great job. But this LP is almost as much his as it is mine, because of the way in which his sound is stamped all over it. If I played the songs to you acoustically [she has had her own band for 18 months, and performs them live with new force as a result] you'd see that they could be pushed down any road, not just a folk

Whatever the rights and wrongs of their recorded state. the relative elderliness of the 6 Maybe I've songs — all were written between four and six vears ago -helps to explain

been a little spoilt, and further why Lohan is so keen that's where to make sure a second album my attitude showcases her as her own woman. comes from 9 Compounding her frustration is

the fact that, although Who Do You Think I Am was on sale in Ireland in 1994, it did not come to Britain until earlier this year, and has only just been released on the Continent. Each new territory thinks it has discovered a singer of pretty, pastoral songs, and has to be put right

The second of four children in, she says, a resolutely nonmusical family, she nursed no adolescent ambition to be a singer or writer. Like most of her generation — she is now 24 - she grew up watching Top of the Pops not attending ceilidhs and, if drawn to anyone, preferred Sting or Paul Weller to any Irish traditionalists. But a year after leaving school, she won a place on a course that helped to prepare students for a career in the wider music industry - management, pub-

lishing rights and so on. "It wasn't that I was gearing myself towards such a career more that I wanted to avoid



working, and liked the idea of something that could, potentially, make you a lot of money," she says. "Initially it covered a lot of the business side, so there was no call to sing or write at all - and I

honestly didn't know I could. Then one day we all had to sing a song we'd written, and I thought: Right, if they all laugh I'll pretend it's not my song at all, and I'll go downtown tomorrow and find out about a career in nursing."

"But the reaction was so be." Here Lohan offers a rare smile. "Maybe I've been a little spoilt. Maybe that's where my attitude comes from."

If so, that attitude softens only infrequently. When I observe that (praise indeed) some reviewers had likened her debut collection to early Joni Mitchell, she is scathing: "It's that woman singer-songwriter with an acoustic guitar thing again. I had to go out and buy one of her records to see what they were talking about." And when I ask where she found the band that has done so much to bolster the live presentation of her songs, she is sharper still: "On the back of a cornflakes packet.

Where else? I had to send away six tokens."

But there is no rule to say that artists must also be diplomats. And, just occasionally, Lohan relaxes enough to show the music fan beneath the determinedly cool exterior. Having admitted that she felt Baez's audiences were too old to represent her own natural. constituency, she recalls the moment Baez caught her sing-ing the Bob Dylan song To Ramona backstage. "I've done it for a long time," Lohan says. cluding it when supporting Joan because I felt it would be tacky, what with their mutual

history and all. "Anyway, she loved it, even though it was very different to the original, and said she would be glad if I would sing it with her on stage. So every night she called me out during her set and we performed it together. It was a bit of a treat like a direct link back to him." And she smiles at the

Who Do You Think I Am is released by Grapevine ● The Cambridge Folk Festival takes place today, tomorrow and Sunday. Tickets for today only available from 01223 357851

# Closets not for sale

s a "music biz insider" - which I'm not - the question I get asked the most is: "Which members of the State Formerly Known as Take That are gay?" And it's not one I can answer. because I simply don't know. There are rumours that all of them are, that none of them i, two of them are, three bi, one openly uses a facial

steamer, and so on. Take That carefully kept things ambiguous. They freely admitted to playing gay clubs in their early years. were seen at gay events, were unafraid to dabble in kitsch and overt gay imagery, and were generally far more enlightened about the whole matter than the press would have been had it got its hands on any kind of "evidence". But still the fascination continues; and with it the whole baggage of "outing" a gener-

ation's heroes. Over the past couple of years it has become a kind of sport to identify and out gay pop stars. Photographs are printed of stars with their "close friends"; there are reports of stars attending parties in drag; the first ten years of the Pet Shop Boys' press can be summed up in three words - "ironic" and "probably gay".

Amusingly enough, when Neil Tennant finally did come out, last year, the press

Caitlin Moran

knows who pop's secret gay stars are — but

then, so what?

suddenly lost interest in "the gay angle", and began, for the first time, to concentrate solely on the music. Now the boot is on the other foot — the Boys' new single, Se A Vida E. is an unashamed summer Pulling Anthem, and the accompanying video is full of hunks in trunks splashing around at Disneyland.

There are other high-profile stars who are also dealt with under the tag of "proba-bly gay", and doubtless have a couple of telephoto lenses trained on them at all times. The problem for the journalists and photographers concerned is that they can't print their allegations unless they have some moral point to make. Were the stars promiscuously bedding underage boys, then we would have already been treated to several front-page revelations of gay orgies. The reasoning behind these gross invasions of privacy would be the public's "need to know" that However, as these pop stars are either in long-term, scandal-free relationships - or very discreet — the press is left without an excuse.

Outing is an obsession that's wearying, offensive, and ultimately useless. Gay pop stars have never needed outing: they're generally out for all to see, if you know how to read the signs. One nearicon is still the subject of "is he, isn't he?" music press debates, when it's obvious that he is. From album and singles titles to lyrics and in interviews, he has pulled only the thinnest of veils over his sexual orientation.

In this way the bulk of his audience, which would feel uncomfortable about being the fan of an openly homosexual artist, can go on pretend-ing that his clearly homoerotic lyrics are about women. However, his gay fans picks up all the signals, and understand. Another gay pop star had a

big hit with a single that was obviously about the death of his lover. But if you told the majority of the people who bought it that he was gay, they'd laugh at you - or be offended. But that's cool. If you can't tell whether a pop star is gay or not then you're a heterosexual who hasn't got any gay friends, and it's probably for the best that you don't know, anyway.

# Pistols destroy all passers-by

THE SEX PISTOLS Filthy Lucre Live

OH. HOW we moaned and groaned when the Sex Pistols announced they were going to mount a reunion tour. And how we damned their gig at Finsbury Park, their first on British soil for 19 years, with faint praise. But the inescapable truth about this album. recorded live at that very show, is that it is actually very good indeed.

Presented essentially as it happened (apart from the final encore of No Fun, which has sensibly been discarded). Filthy Lucre Live documents the Finsbury Park event in a way which now sounds impos-sibly loud and proud. From the moment they come barrel-ling in with Bodies to the final ringing chords of Problems. there is not a moment of slack.

That is partly a function of the limited repertoire at their disposal. There is nothing new nor anything remotely resem-bling a ballad or slow song. and they do tend to fall back on a handful of tried and trusted musical moves.

But that takes nothing away from the tremendous conviction with which they punch through a set of songs that has acquired a mythical status during the band's absence. John Lydon/Rotten is a volcanic presence, spitting, snarling and rolling his Rs with blazing fervour, especially during God Save the Queen and Satellite, as well as slipping in shandful of well-chosen barbs retween numbers. "Got a problem with that?" he demands at the end of Problems.

Not me, John. On the evidence of similar recordings from the 1970s, such as Live in Trondheim. the Sex Pistols never played as well as this the first time POP ALBUMS: **David Sinclair** gladly eats his words



of the country crossover standard Dallas, Jimmie Dale Gilmore has languished in relative obscurity throughout a career that has been celebrated more in retrospect than as it happened. But, thanks to his two more recent albums, the 51-year-old singer from Lubbock, Texas, has emerged as an unlikely cult hero of the 1990s, winning a reputation as

an authentic Southern voice

Flatlanders, with Butch Hancock and Joe Ely, and author

which can only be enhanced by Braver Newer World. A singer who seems to use his adenoids instead of his vocal cords, Gilmore's stringy tone will not be to everyone's taste. But while his songs and vocal delivery are steeped in the West Texas country and hallad tradition, some extraordinarily adventurous twists in the arrangements and the

Jagged Little Pill

wildly idiosyncratic produc-tion by T-Bone Burnett turn this album into a journey without maps.

The fragile, pleading vocal of There She Goes is counterpointed by a guitar solo that blows up like a sandstorm; Blind Lemon Jefferson's Black Snake Moan is turned into a clanky country-blues rag; and an oddly syncopated horn section vies with Jon Brion's title track. Country purists will be dismayed, but students of misshapen American roots music will have a field day.

"Bombay guitar" sound on the

Alanis Morissette (Maverick)

TOP TEN ALBUMS

The Smurfs Go Pop!.. . Ocean Colour Scene (MCA) Moseley Shoals .... .. Celine Dion (Epic) .Fugees (Columbia) ..... Oasis (Creation) The Score ... (What's the Story) Morning Glory? . Tina Tumer (Parlophone) . George Michael (Virgin .Ash (Infectious) 10 1977 Copyright CIN 🥻

Vindication: the Sex Pistols have made a classic live album

THE FRAMES DC Fitzcarraldo (ZTT 0630-15622)

BRITISH bands have all but given up on that intense style of mournful and meaningful rock that comes so naturally to such American groups as Counting Crows or Pearl Jam. Not so their counterparts in Ireland, where a new wave of acts, from Scheer to Mundy, is currently hell-bent on scaling ever higher peaks of emotional "realism" in their music and lyrics.
The Frames DC yield to no

one in their pursuit of the taut. drilling chord sequence, while frontman Glen Hansard is every inch a graduate of "the university of blind love and black poetry", as he puts it in Red Chord. At their best, as on the

recent single, Monument, their fervour sweeps all before it. But the combined effect of so much heavily orchestrated yearning and anguish makes the album a suffocating expeChains are one of those bands who always seem a lot more involved with themselves on stage than with their audi-

THEIR drug-obsessed angst

has never travelled well, and

Seattle heavyweights Alice in

ence. Even so, MTV's Unplugged formula has a way of drawing out unexpected qualities from acts otherwise prone to drown in bombast. Unfortunately, there is little it can do here. Shorn of their Mogadon-metal guitar sound, songs such as Angry Chair and Rooster are revealed for

the thin ideas that they are, and even those numbers with properly developed melodies and harmonies do not seem to hang together without the volume to shore them up.

- POP SINGLE

SUEDE

Trash (Nude NUD 21)

HAS there ever been a band that has returned to active duty after a break of just 18 months to find the pop landscape so transformed? But if Suede have got to prove themselves all over again, this is as good a start as any.

Bright, confident and quiet-

knowing. Trash welds all Brett Anderson's best Bowieisms into an alternative pop package that sparkles like neon in the rain. Just trash, me and you/It's in everything we do," he sings, with a wistful air of romantic decadence. while gracefully chiming gui-tar and keyboard parts drift in

eerie layers through the mix. It lacks the edge of vintage Suede, but will surely be a hit no matter what the competi-

ition can throw at it.

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The great Mstislav Rostropovich conducts the LSO at the Proms VENUE: Tonight at



CHOICE 2

Puccini comes to Twickenham with a staging of La Bohème VENUE: On Sunday at Marble Hill





**■ CHOICE 3** 

Gershwin's piano improvisations are recreated by Jack Gibbons VENUE: Sunday at the Queen Elizabeth Hall



**■ CHOICE 4** 

J.W.M. Turner is featured in the Astley Cheetham summer show VENUE: Open daily in Stalybridge

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<u>LONDON</u> BBC PROMS 96: In the first of three concerts this weekend, Mstislav Rostropovich conducts the London Fiostropovich conducts the Landon Sysphony Orchestra tonight, in works by Lindstevet, Britten and Shostakovich, Tomornov's programme by the English Chamber Orchestra under George Malcolm Includes Mozart's Pierro Concertos Nos 19 and 22, with solicist András Schiff, Finelly, on Sunday, Fatael Fridhiseck de Burgos conducts the BBC Sysophony Orchestra in Beethoven's Seventh Symphony, the London premera of Symphony, the London premiers o s Atlantida end Ravel's Plano ento for the Left Hand (Louis Lorde). Albert Hell, Kensington Gore, SW7 (0171-589 8212). Tonight-Sun; 7.30pm. LA BOHEME: A fully staged and costumed 100th anna performance of Puccini's romantic promise of roces is someone asterplece. Presented by the telented d-Wales Opera Company, in Majoration with the Birmingham onservatore Orchestra under Anthony

Conservatore Orchestra under Anthony Hose Sung in Italian. Marble Hill, Richmond Road, Twicken-ham (0171-413 1443). Sunday, 7 30pm. ham (u171-131-14-3). Sensey, 7 sept.
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By JEEVES: Delightful musical creation by Alan Ayoldocum and Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on the Woolehouse heroes: first etiermyted 20 years ago, now entirely revised. Dutes of York's, St Marten's Lane, W1 (0171-835 5122) Mon-Set, 7-45pm; mate Wed and Sat, 3pm. IN THE DEVIL IS AN ASS: Ben

worse than Hell An energetic but hollow Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (0171-638 8991) Tonight and tomorrow, 7.15pm; mat Sat, 2pm. In rep (5) MARTIN GUERRE: The lates Boubli & Schonberg musical, set to tollow the success of Les Mis and Miss Sar. Declan Donnellan directs a cast led by lain Glen and Juliette Caton in a tale based on the true 16th-century story of

love, war and Identity.
Prince Edward, Old Compton St, W1 (0171-447 5000) Mon-Set, 7,45pm; mats Thurs and Set. 3om. IT THE MEMORY OF WATER: Text Johnson directs a play by new author Shelagh Stephenson, set among the squabbles that follow a mother's funeral, though she still appears in the play Cast includes Mary Jo Randie and

NEW RELEASES DENISE CALLS UP (15): Lightweight, appealing Sestyle cornedy from new American director Hal Salwen, With Alanna Ubach, Dan Gunther and Aids .. m (0171:351 9749) (3mm

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CURRENT ◆ HAPPY GILMORE (12): Blue-collar guy hits the gotf links. So-so vehicle to

## WEEKEND CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entertainment mpiled by Glillen Maxey

plays standards such as Phapsody in Blus, and his exhibitating recreations of Geratiwh's Improvisations on Fascinatin' Phythm and other tavourties. Queen Etizabeth Half, South Bank, SE1 (0171-960 4242). Sunday, 7.45pm. **ELSEWHERE** 

BLIXTON: This evening (7.30pm), the spe town will resound to the contrasting moods of Mozari's Symphony No 25, as Adman Leaper conducts the orchestra. of the Opera North — the English Northern Philhermonia, Victi's Victin Northern Philhermonia. Viciti's Violin Concerto (soloist Merco Rizz) and Haydri's Landon Symphony complete the programme. On Seaunday, the 15th Buctoon Feesthal of Jezz gets underway with a paracle from the Railway Hotel, Bridge Street, at 11.30em, followed by a calcaret-style Still (Octagon, 2pm-1pm). Featuring the escophorists Torrmy Whittle and Tyn Garland, the truntonist Roy Williams and trumpeter Gerard Presencer Gerard Presencer Opera House, Water Street (01298 72190 for tickets and information).

Cheetham Collection Summer Exhibition opers today, and includes 30 westercolours by 19th-century eritiss, including Edward Burne-Jones, Samuel Prout, David Cox and J.M.W. Turner. Astrey Cheetham Gellery, Stalybridge, near Ashbar-under-Lyns (0161-343 1978). Today, 1pm-7.30pm. Then Mon-Fri, 1pm-7.30pm (closed Thurs): Sat, 9am-4pm, Unit August 28. LONDON GALLERIES DEAL: Opera Restor'd leunches this year's Summer Music Festival with a 1270-1470 (0171-830 2 Tate: Hans Hartung (0171-887 8000) new production of The Dragon of

THEATRE GUIDE

Hampstead, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (0171-722 9301) Mon-Sat, Som: mat Sat, 4pm.

**E PAINT YOUR WAGON**: First London revival of the Lamer and Loewe musical since 1953. Tony Salby in the Lee Marvin role, so how will be sing Wandhin' Star? Ian Taibol directs. Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (0171-486 2431). Opens tonight, 8pm, Then Sal-Wed, 8pm; mat Sat. 2.30pm. In rep.

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PRIVATE LINES: Cowerd's comed's comedy, pert of MPa Alfreda's repertoire of three plays for Method & Mechass, plays tonight at 7 30pm. Tomorrow, the season draws to a close with performances of all three plays: Jude the Obscure at 10.30em, Private Lives at 3.30pm and Flesh and Blood at 7 30pm. Lyric, King Street, Hemmershith, W6 (0181-741 2311). Tonight and formance TI BOSEM/SANTZ AND ☐ ROSENCRANTZ AND ☐ ROSENCRANTZ AND
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HUSTY HUSTLER WHITE (18): Adventures of

rrele hustlers on Sante Monica Boulevard. Rough-hewn and unappearing Directors, Bruce LaBruce and Rick Castro ICA Cinema (0171-930 3847) **+ MOONLIGHT AND VALENTING** (15): Widow finds comfort with family, Inends and a blond house painter. Decent romantic drama, with Elizabeth Perlans, Kathleen Tutner, Jon Bon Jow

Director, David Anspeugh. Warner (5) (0171-437 4343)

Thurst: Sat, 8am-4pm. Until August 28. YORK: A new musical play from the team responsible for last year's award-winning production of Moli Flanders. John Doyle directs his racy adeptation of the comic novel by Henry Fielding, Tom Jones. With music by George Sales and lyrics by Paul Leigh Theathe Royal, St. Leonard's Place (01904 823 588). Opena tonight, Spm. Then Mon-Fri. Spm; mate Wed-July 31, 2.30pm, Sat August 10 and 17, 4pm. LONDON GALL EDIES.

Wastley. A singing dragon and a romantic hero and heroine contribute to John Frederick Lampe's 18th-century

satire of italian opera. Autor, Stanhope Road (01304 366 077) Tonight, 8pm.

STALYBRIDGE: The Astley Cheetham Collection Summ

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# VISUAL ART: Roger Berthoud on Britain's belated celebration of ceramics Potter's wheel of fortune

ots are going up in the world. In the Far East they have long been regarded as works of art. Slowly but surely, the work of Britain's leading ceramicists is acquiring comparable status, both in this country and abroad. It is also being more widely bought, a development doubtless promoted by the alienating, inward-looking nature of much of today's "fine" art: is a video of Mona Hatoum's bowels really more a work of art than one of Gordon Baldwin's magnificent vessels?

The evidence is scattered but extensive. Work by Bernard Leach and his associates features strongly in the Tate Gallery in St Ives. Early next year the Barbican arts centre will follow up its successful 1993 mixed show, The Raw and the Cooked, with one devoted to the late Lucie Rie and Hans Coper.

More and more art galleries across the country are showing ceramics as well as pic tures and sculpture. The first ceramics-only gallery in London's West End has not only survived for eight years but flourished. American and Japanese collectors — and department stores - are snapping up the work of British potters. One American collector has more than 1,000 examples. So are European museums, notably the Boymans-van Beuningen in Rotterdam. Bonham's, in Knightsbridge, is the only auction house in the world to hold (thrice-yearly) sales solely of contemporary ceramics, which have helped to build many reputations. This year's £15.000 Jerwood Prize for the applied arts will be awarded on September 5 to one of ten shortlisted potters. Most significantly of all, demand for good quality work up and down Britain has greatly increased, along with the num-

ber of outlets. Some credit is due to the Crafts Council in Pentonville Road. Islington, which has worked hard to stimulate the market for the applied arts. According to Morris Latham. head of sales development there, in 1979 the council identified eight high-quality craft shops in London and the home counties, such as Henry Rothschild's pioneering Primavera in Cambridge, 50 years old this year. There are now 96 on the council's useful Crafts Map of Great Britain. When a gallery called European Ceramics can flourish in Knaresborough, Yorkshire, something significant has

happened. Latham is also heartened by the country. the interest shown in British ceramics by top-class department stores such as Bergdorf's. Bloominedales and Gumps in America and Takashimaya in Japan. "You can be

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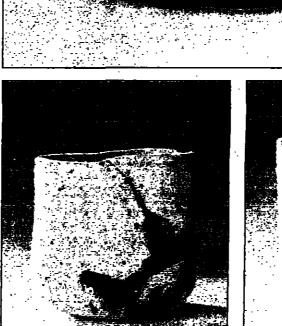
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sure that when we open the door of the Chelsea Crafts Fair in October, a buyer from Takashimaya will be there: last year one potter had orders for about £25,000 worth of work over the next three years from them. The Gumps buyer goes to degree shows all over

Among the classiest outlets in Britain is Contemporary Applied Arts, which recently moved from Covent Garden to beautiful new premises in Percy Street, off Tottenham Court Road. CAA is a cooperative set up 50 years ago by a group of potters and run a management council which selects new members twice a year. All the applied arts are shown there, but ceramics bulk large, whether vessel-based or more purely sculptural. Contemporary Ceramics in Marshall Street. near Liberty, is smaller and homelier, but covers a wide range, including objects de-

signed for daily use, such as

mugs and teapots.

The success of Anita Besson's Galerie Besson in the Royal Arcade, off Old Bond Street, is evidence of - and has contributed to - the upgrading of pottery's image. True, she had wonderful contacts among wealthy potential clients from her long years with Marlborough Fine Art and Fischer Fine Art, and she had been a friend of Rie since she arrived in London in her teens from Switzerland to learn English. Nonetheless, with West End costs and the relatively low prices of her wares, it was brave to open a gallery devoted solely to ceramics, foreign as well as British.

Her success is, she believes, linked to a general trend for ceramics to be recognised as a major art form. She is particularly pleased to have given four shows to the Catalan. Claudi Casanovas, whom she calls "an amazing talent". Americans and Japanese have been her biggest buyers. British collectors account for more purchases, but foreigners are readier to buy the more expensive items: her prices have ranged from £14 to £60,000. At least two substantial art galleries, the Hart Gallery in

**6** Being more affordable, pots bring people into the gallery 9

Islington and the Beaux Arts in Bath, match virtually every show of paintings with one of ceramics. Being more affordable, pots help to bring people into the gallery, says Louis Singh of Beaux Arts. Not infrequently, John Hart finds, someone who comes in to look at paintings will leave having bought a pot - and vice versa. He has shown many of the big names among British potters, such as Baldwin, Ewen Henderson and Gabrielle Koch. and he has a sense of mission to make a handful of his favourite French potters better known here.

Some art galleries show just one or two potters a year. For Austin Desmond, near the British Museum, it is the late Michael Cardew and the Cornish potter Jason Wason, who has also shown at the Tate in St Ives. They plan a mixed show of smallish items for December. Even Anthony d'Offay in Dering Street, WI. that bastion of Berrys, shows two British ceramacists, Grayson Perry and Andrew Lloyd, as well as pots by the versatile Bruce McLean.

Art-world snobbery towards pottery lingers on: at one fineart fair, a West End dealer asked Hart when he was going to remove the crockery. When I asked Leslie Waddington, the Cork Street dealer, whether he would think of showing British ceramics, his scornful message was: pots by Picasso and Miró, yes; by British potters, certainly not. But then there is not much you can buy from Waddington for less than £1,000, while for a fifth of that you can get a pot of real quality.

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# No duty of care over roads

Stovin v Wise, Norfolk County Council (Third Party) Before Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle, Lord Slynn of Hadley, Lord Nicholls of Birkenhead and Lord Hoffmann Speeches July 24

A statutory power granted to a public body did not give rise to a common law duty of care, where none already existed, nor did it put the public body under any legal duty to make any reasonable decisions, and a failure to act under that power could not make the public body liable to a member of the public who might sustain

The answer to the question whether a statutory duty gave rise to a private cause of action was a maner of construction of the particular statute and depended on the policy of the starute The House of Lords so stated

allowing by a majority (Lord Slynn and Lord Nicholls dissenting), an appeal by the third party to the action, Norfolk County Council, as the highway authority, from a decision dated February 16, 1994 of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Kennedy and Lord Justice Roch) (The Times March 3, 1994; [1994] 1 WLR 1124). whereby the court dismissed an appeal by the county council from an order dated July 21, 1992 of Judge Crawford, QC, sitting as a judge of the Queen's Bench Di-

In an action by Thomas Michael Stovin for damages for sustaining injuries in a road traffic accident allegedly caused by the negligence of Rita Wise, the judge apportioned blame as to 70 per cent to Mrs Wise and 30 per cent to the council. Mr Stovin took no part in the

In December 1988 Mr Stovin was riding a motor cycle along Station Road, Wymondham when he collided with a motor vehicle being driven by Mrs Wise out of a junction on Mr Stovin's left across his path. He was seriously injured. The junction was not a busy one

but was known by the county council to be dangerous because the view of road users turning out the junction with Cemetery Road into Station Road was restricted by a bank on adjoining land. Accidents in similar situation had occurred at the junction on at least three previous occasions. In January 1988 a divisional

surveyor of the council, after a site meeting at the junction, accepted that a visibility problem existed and recommended removal of part of the bank. The council agreed that the work would be carried out providing the owner of the land British Rail, agreed. British Rail had not responded the council's proposal before Mr Stovin's accident notwithstanding a further.

I site meeting at which the representatives British Rail and council

Mr Stovin's claim against Mrs Wise was settled. Mrs Wise had alleging that it was negligent and in breach of its statutory duty by failing to take reasonable measures to reduce the danger to road

Mr Timothy Stow, QC and Mr Mervyn Roberts for the council; Mr Robert Nelson, QC and Mr Richard Hone for Mrs Wise. LORD NICHOLLS, dissenting,

said that the crucial question was said that the crucial question was whether a highway authority, aware of a danger, owed to road users a common law duty to act as would a reasonable authority in the circumstances and hence was potentially liable in damages if it failed to attain that standard. Built into that question were

several features which, in combination, pointed to the conclusion that the existence of such a duty and such a liability would indeed be fair and reasonable.

First, the subject matter was physical injury. The existence of a

source of danger exposed road users to a risk of serious, even fatal, injury. Road users, especially those unfamiliar with the stretch of road, were vulnerable. They were dependent on highway authorities fulfilling their statutory

sponsibilities. Second, the authority knew of the danger. When an authority was aware of a danger it had knowledge road users might not

Third, in the present case, had the council complied with its public law obligations the danger would have been removed and the accident would not have happened. In such a case a highway authority could properly be re-garded as reponsible for the accident just as much as if its employees had carried but roadworks carelessly and thereby created a danger.
Fourth, this was an area where

Parliament had recognised that public authorities should be liable in damages for omissions as well as actions. The Highways (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1961 abrogated the old rule exempting the inhabitants at large and their successors from liability for non-repair of highways. A highway authority was liable in damages for failing to take reasonable care to keep the highway safe. But no sound distinction could be drawn between dangers on the highway statutory duty to act, and other dangers, where there was a statutory power but not a statutory

duty.

Fifth, the purpose of the statutory powers was to protect road users by enabling highway authorities to remove sources of danger, but public law was unable to give an effective remedy if a road user was injured as a result of an authority's breach of its public law obligations. A concurrent common law duty was needed to fill the gap. Sixth, a common law duty in the

present case would not represent an incursion into a wholly novel field. An occupier owed a duty to take positive action to protect his neighbours. Until subsimed in legislation, an occupier also owed common law duties to safeguard those who came on to his property, hether lawfully or unl Although a highway authority did not occupy the highway, there was a certain resemblance. A highway authority had, and alone had the capacity to remove what would

otherwise be a source of physical danger to users of property.

Seventh, a common law duty would not impose on the authority

any more onerous obligation, so far as its behaviour was concerned, than its public law obligations. Finally, and critically, the con-

sequence of a concurrent common law duty would be that in the event of a breach the loss, so far as measurable in terms of money, would fall on the highway authority or, if insured, on highway authorities generally.

Those factors, taken together,

constituted special circumstances of sufficient weight for the crucial question to be answered "Yes".

There was here sufficient proximity. LORD HOFFMANN said that

the argument that the council had a positive duty to take action giving rise to a claim for compensation in tort must depend on the public nature of its powers, duties and funding. The argument was that while it

might be unreasonable to expect a private landowner to spend money for the benefit of strangers who had the right to cross his land, the very purpose of the existence of a public authority like the council was to spend its resources on making the roads convenient and sale. For that purpose it had a large battery of powers in the Highways Act 1980. Although those powers did not

actually include a power which would have enabled to council to go on the land of British Rail and remove the bank of earth, there was power under section 79 to serve a notice requiring the bank to be removed. The power was conferred for the purpose of "the prevention of danger arising from obstruction to the view of persons

using the highway".

The allegation was not that the council failed to use that power, but that its existence showed that one of the purposes for which Parliament contemplated that the highway authority would spend its money was in the removal of exactly the kind of obstructions which caused the accident in the instant case.

Since Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Trustees v Gibbs ((1866) LR 1 HL 93) it had been clear law that, in the absence of express statutory authority, a pub-lic body was, in principle, liable for torts in the same way as a private person. But its statutory powers or duties might restrict its liability. For example, it might be authorised to do something which

necessarily involved committing what would otherwise be a tort. In such a case it would not be liable: Allen. v. Gulf Oil Refining Ltd.
([1981] AC 1001). Or it might have
discretionary powers which enabled it to do things to achieve a statutory purpose notwithstanding that they involved a foreseeable risk of damage to others. In such a case a bonz fide exercise of the ity: X (Minors) v Befordshire County Council (The Times June 30 1995; [1995] 2 AC 633) and Dorset Yacht Co Ltd v Home

The argument in the present case was that whereas a private person would have owed no duty of care in respect of an omission to remove the hazard at the junction, the duty of the highway authority was enlarged by virtue of its statutory powers. The existence of the statutory powers was said to create a proximity between the highway authority and the highway user which would not otherwise exist.

Until the decision of the House

Until the decision of the House in Anns v Merton London Bor-ough Council (1978) AC 728, there was no authority for treating a statutory power as giving rise to a common law duty of care. Two cases, in particular, were thought to be against it Sheppard v Glossop Corporation [1921] 3 KB 132) and East Suffolk Rivers Cauch-mant Board v Kant [1941] AC 74). Whether a statutory duty gave rise to a private cause of action was a question of construction: R v Deputy Governor of Parkhurst Prition. Exparte Hague (The Times July 25, 1991; [1992] 1 AC 58). It required an examination of the

policy of the statute to decide whether it was intended to confer a. right to compensation for breach. Whether it could be relied upon to support the existence of a common law duty of care was not exactly a question of construction. because the cause of action did not arise out of the statute itself. But nevertheless a crucial factor in the decision: see X (Minors) v Bedfordshire County Council (at p739).

The same was true of omission to perform a statutory duty. If such a duty did not give rise to a private right to sue for breach, it would be unusual if it nevertheless gave rise to a duty of care at common law hich made the public authority liable to pay compensation for foreseeable loss caused by the duty not being performed.

Therefore, the minimum pre-conditions for basing a duty of care on the existence of a statutory power, if it could be done at all, were, first, that it would have been irrational not to have exercised the power, so that there was in effect a public law duty to act, and second, that there were exceptional grounds for holding that the policy of the statute required compensa-tion to be paid to persons who suffered loss because the power was not exercised.

The question of whether anything should be done about the junction, here, was at all times firmly within the area of the council's discretion. As it was not under a public law duty to do the work, the first condition for the imposition of a duty of care was not satisfied. But even if it was, the second condition would not be satisfied. There were no grounds on which it could be said that the public law duty should give rise to an obligation to compensate per-sons who had suffered loss because it was not performed.

Lend Goff and Lord Jauncey reed with Lord Hollmann Lord Slynn agreed with Lord

Solicitors: Eversheds, Ipswich:

## Causing fear does not obstruct highway

amounted to an obstruction had to be a question of fact for the tribunal on the facts of each The justices also applied the de

minimis principle to the protru-sion of the heads of the dogs over the fence. They found as a fact that the extent of the protrusion was unclear but that it extended to inches, if that,

The justices felt that to regard

the creation of fear as amounting

to an obstruction would be to

stretch the meaning of the word too

far and his Lordship agreed

Whether a particular situation

particular case.

Rejecting the argument of the appellants that the phrase "de minimis" had to be applied not only to the extent of the protrusion but also to its effect, his Lordship said that the justices were entitled

to find, and his Lordship agreed with the finding, that any protrusion was so minimal in time and degree that it could not be said to amount to a physical obstruction

of the highway.

His Lordship concluded that if in the view of the local authority the use being made of the respondent's land amounted to a common law missinge then it was onen to them to consider taking steps, either civil or criminal, to put an end to it. The offence of causing an

obstruction under section 137 of the Act not having been made out the justices were right in their conclusion. Lord Justice Schiemann agreed. Solicitors: Mr D. P. Clephan,

Maidstone; Robin F. Clark & Co,

## Costs penalty for concealing case

On appeal, Mr Justice Scott had

cision. He agreed with the commis-sioner that prior to an award made

somer that prior to an award made in 1815 under a private enclosure Act of 1790 G9 Geo III Cap 69) the soil vested in the siminoiders and not in the Bishop of Durham ar lord of the manor but unlike the commissioner held that the 1815 award had divested them of their rockets the the 1815.

right to the soil. Mr Justice Scott had further held that Brackerbunk

had forther need that no extraordinate had acquired title by adverse possession. The Court of Appeal held that the award had not entinguished the stintholders'

rights in the soil and that Brackenbank's claim by adverse

Mr McDonnell had abandoned

any claim based on adverse pos-session and accepted that every-

thing depended on who owned the soil before and after the 1815

award. Brackenbank's claim in the

House of Lords thus depended

entirely on showing (a) that the soil before 1815 belonged to the bishop as lord of the manor and (b) that

the 1815 award did not divest him

During an adjournment be-

tween his opening arguments and those of Miss Cameron, Mr Mc-Donnell had examined the Church

Commissioners' archives, where

possession failed.

of his title to it.

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Brackenbank Lodge Ltd v Peart and Others Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Mustill, Lord Slynn of Hadley and Lord

Nicholls of Birkenhead (Speeches July 24) The sail of Burnhope Moor, Dur-ham, belonged to the successors in title of the Bishop of Durham as lord of the manor and not to

ord of the manor and not to holders of stints on the moor. The ownership of the soil had been decided by the Court of Queen's Bench in 1864 and the House of Lords would out governor such a long standing decided wrong.

Where integrion arose because a party bad convenient party had concealed a relevant earlier case, that party was liable

for both sides costs.

And House of Lords so held allowing an appeal by Brackenbank Lodge and against a decision of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Russell, Lord Justice non Brown and Sir Michael For (The Times June 4, 1993; (1993) 67 P & CR 249) that Olive Peart and others, stint helders on Burnhope Moor, owned the soil of the moor, and thus the right to shoot grouse over it, in undivided shares. Mr John McDonnell, QC, who

did not appear below, and Mr Peter B. Keenan for the appellant; Miss Sheila Cameron, QC and Mr John Fryer-Spedding for the

BROWNE-WIL-LORD KINSON said Brackenbank claimed the soil under a convey-ance to them from the Church

Commissioners. There was no dispute that the rival claimants. the stintholders, had grazing rights on the moor. The issue was whether they or Brackenbank owned the soil. Fundamentally, the dispute concerned the right to shoot grouse on the moor since whoever owned the sail owned the

the found a reference to hitigation concerning the shooting rights on Burnhope Moor in the 1860s.

That led to the discovery of a report of the litigation, Eco tical Commissioners v Peart (The Times February 13, 1867) a decision made by a strong court: Mr Justice Blackburn, Mr Justice Mellor and That court had found that before That court had found that before the 1815 award the soil of Burnhope that from 1601 large parts of the

Moor was vested in the bishon and rejected a claim by Brackenbank to of his rights in the soil. Miss Cameron had then to have acquired title-by adverse

concede that she could only win by showing Ecclesiastical Commissioners v Peart to be wrongly The claim by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners was that the defen-dant Peart had been shooting grouse to which they, as statutory successor to the Bishop of Dur-

ham, were entitled.

The Court of Queen's Beach rejected the commissioners' claims based on a franchise of free warren and on an exclusive right to take the grouse by custom. It held that the 1799 Act extinguished the bishop's litle to land which was to be enclosed but did not impair his title to unenclosed land. The defen-dant was thus liable for shooting over the unenclosed portion of the

The 1867 decision had determined the title to the soil of nearly 20,000 acres of Co Durham and many titles to land and shooting rights must depend upon it. The House was always reluctant to overturn existing law, especially long established law, when to do so would cast doubt on established titles. His Lordship would certainly not be prepared to overrule Ecclesiastical Commissioners v Peart unless it was demonstrably

and clearly wrong. In his Lordship's judgment, the decision was clearly right in holding that, whoever held the title to the soil of the unenclosed residue before the 1799 Act, that title was not affected by the Act. Nothing in the Act directed any change in the title to the soil of the unenclosed residue. The critical question was to determine the ownership of the soil of the unenclosed residue

stinted moors were held under leases for three lives from the bishop.

For centuries before the 1799 Act the Bishop of Durham had faced substantial difficulties in establish-ing his feudal and land rights in Upper Weardale. Like good north countrymen the inhabitants were not immediately subservient in their attitudes,

The truth of the matter might well be that the respective rights of the lord of the manor and the stimtholders had either been lost in the mists of the Middle Ages or were never clearly defined.

In those confused circumstances the Court of Queen's Bench in 1867 could not be criticised for holding that the land formed part of the manorial waste and applying the presumption that its soil belonged to the bishop. The appeal would be

In the ordinary case, since the decision turned on a point not pursued by Brackenbank in the Court of Appeal and was in effect decided by the discovery at a very late stage of the 1867 decision, there would be good grounds for saying costs should not follow the event. However, in the present case, the sband of one of the respondents had discovered the existence of the 1867 proceedings as long ago as 1974. He had unwisely been per-suaded by his father-in-law, then one of the stintholders, not to disclose the existence of the 1867 proceedings to their solicitors.

Whatever the reasons for that behaviour, the result was that the litigation had been wholly caused by the respondents failure to draw attention to the 1867 decision. In the circumstances the respondents had to pay all Brackenbank's costs. Lord Keith, Lord Mustill, Lord Slynn and Lord Nicholls agreed.

Solicitors: Gaynham Smith & Mellor, Penrith; Snowball Tucker

substantive law" but to determine

## **Applying Brussels Convention to libel** Shevill and Others v Presse expression "place where the harm-England and Wales of which only that the object of the Convention was not to unify the rules of

Alliance SA Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Ackner, Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle, Lord Lowry and Lord Browne-Wilkinson Speeches July 24

Where under English law the publication of libellous material was regarded as harmful to the person libelled without specific proof, such a publication was sufficient for applying article 5(3) of the Convention of Jurisdiction and the Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters 1968 (the Brussels Convention, set out in Schedule 1 to the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act

The European Court of Justice had pointed out that what con-stituted a harmful event within the article was to be determined by the national court applying its own

The House of Lords so stated dismissing an appeal by the defen-dant, Presse Alliance SA, from the dismissal by the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Taylor and Lord Justice Beldam) (The Times March 13, 1991; 1992] 2 WLR 1) of its appeal from a judgment dated May 14, 1990 of Mr Justice Alliott who had affirmed an order of Master

Creightmore. In an action by the plaimiffs, Miss Fioria Shevill, Chequepoint International Ltd, Ixora Trading inc (now in fiquidation) and Chequepoint SARL, seeking dam-ages for libel, the defendant issued a summons on December 7, 1989 for an order, inter alia, that the action be dismissed or stayed on the ground that the court lacked jurisdiction to hear and determine or that the natural and appro master dismissed the summons.

priate forum was in France. The After hearing the appeal in October 1992 the House referred the matter to the Court of Justice of the European Communities for a preliminary ruling on the application of the Brussels Convention

ful event occurred" in article 5(3) of the Convention entitled the victim of libel to bring an action for damages against the publisher either before the courts of the contracting state where the pub-lisher was established or before the courts of each contracting state inwhich the publication was distributed (The Times April 6, 1995; [1995] 2 AC i8.)
On June 18, 1996 the appeal

came back before the House. Article 5 provides: "A person domiciled in a contracting state may, in another contracting state, be sued: ... (3) in matters relating to tort, delict or quasi-delict, in the courts for the place where the harmful event occurred..."

Mr Michael Tugendhat, QC and Mr Adam Wolanski for the defen-dant: Mr David Eady. QC and Mr Harry Boggis-Rolle for the LORD JAUNCEY said that the

present issue concerned the meaning to be given to the words "harmful event" in article 5(3). Miss Shevill, then a student, was employed for three months in 1989 in a bureau de change in Paris by Chequepoint SARL. In September 1989 an issue of the newspaper France-Soir published by the defendant, carried a story to the effect that the bureau de change in question had been involved in laundering drug money and re-ferred, inter alios, to the operators of the bureau and "Fiona Shevill-Avril as being involved in the

laundering operation. The newspaper had a wide circulation in France but only about 230 copies were sold in five were circulated in Yorkshire where Miss Shevill lived. Shortly afterwards Miss Shevill

and Chequepoint SARL, together with two other companies which were no longer in the case, sued the defendant in the High Court. The defendant disputed the jurisdiction of the court and sought to have the action struck out. The matter was referred to the Court of Justice by the House, That

court ruled that on a proper construction of the expression place where the harmful event occurred in article 5(3) of the Brussels Convention, "the victim of a libel by a newspaper article distributed in several contracting states may bring an action for damages against the publisher either before the courts of contracting state of the place where the publisher of the delamatory publication is established ... or ing state in which the publication was distributed and where the victim claims to have suffered injury to his reputation, which have jurisdiction to rule solely in respect of the harm caused in state of the court seised."

The court went on to point out the limited scope of the Convention and concluded that the criteria for assessing whether the event in question was harmful and the evidence required of the existence and extent of the harm alleged by the victim were not governed by the Convention but by the sub-stantive law determined by the national conflict of laws rules rules of the court seised. The court further pointed out

which court had jurisdiction. The Convention did not specify the circumstances in which the event giving rise to the harm might be considered to be harmful to the

victim and that that was a matter for the national court applying its substantive law. The fact that under national law a plaintiff did not trave to adduce evidence of damage did not preclude the application of article 5(3) in determining jurisdiction.

It was abundantly clear from the relevant parts of the judgment that the court was at pains to point out that what constituted a harmful event was to be determined by the national court applying its own substantive law. Thus where English law presumed the publication of a defamatory statement was harmful to the person defarned without specific proof thereof that was sufficient for the application of article 5(3). An award of even of some harm having been suffered by the plaintiff. The plaintiffs had made a case in

their pleadings entitling them to inquiry as to the harm which they England as a result of the publica-tion. It followed that they could invoke the jurisdiction of the English courts by virtue of article

Lord Keith, Lord Ackner, Lord Lowry and Lord Browne-Wilkinson agreed. Solicitors: D. J. Freeman; O'Callaghan & Co.

## £45,000 award not excessive for irresponsible libel Kiam v Neill and Another professional reputation, bonour,

Before Lord Justice Beldam, Lord Justice Evans and Lord Justice Pill Humour no shield (Judgment July 17) for contempt

of a libel was irresponsible. No effort was made to check the report's accuracy and the plain-tiff's name was included only because a journalist wished to use before the trial on the programme. his name and prominence as an which was a popular, hum*o*rous example of a disastrous loan made by the subsidiary of a leading and irreverent quiz programme on current affairs. His Lordship said that although they were spoken in that context and could not be

regarded as evidential in nature, they might well have been taken by some viewers as statements of someone "in the know". At the very least they constituted a readily memorable encourageachievement and that, according to the unchallenged evidence, it had a prolonged and significant effect on ment to viewers to regard the Maxwell brothers as guilty of defrauding the Mirror pensi the very subject of their well

publicised forthcoming trial. The fact that the remarks were made in a humorous, irreverent and often rude programme, al-though not themselves humorous, though not themselves humorous, that they were brief and made in an impermanent medium of television had to be balanced against a number of factors including the clear implication that the Maxwell brothers were obviously guilty of fraudulent conduct, the large, national, audience to whom the words were addressed and the repetition

of the programme. The matter was one for the court to assess on the particular facts of the case and his Lordship was sure that the broadcast created a risk of serious prejudice to the course of justice. Accordingly, the contempt was established.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Mr Gareth Roscoe, White City;

An award of £45,000 damages was not excessive where the publication the Contempt of Court Act 1981. The broadcasts were six months

> The libel jury could properly take into account the prominence of the plaintiffs reputation when deciding what figure was required to vindicate it. They were also entitled to take account of the fact that it struck at the core of his life's

> The Court of Appeal so stated in dismissing an appeal by Mr Andrew Neill and The Sunday Times from so much of the order of Mr Justice Hidden, sitting with a jury, on October 21, 1994, as recorded the award of damages of £45,000 and costs against the appellants. The matters complained of were errors or omissions from proper guidance to the jury on the amount of damages. Lord Lester of Herne Hill and Mr Adam Lewis for the appellants: Lord Williams of Mostyn and Miss Lucy Moorman for the

> LORD JUSTICE BELDAM said that The Sunday Times decided to publish a critical article on the National Westminster Bank in the course of which it said: "Another high profile NatWest customer is Victor Kiam, owner of the Remington razor company He is being

sued by NatWest after defaulting on a £13.5m loan he used to buy New England Patriots, the American football team. Kiam has also filed for bankruptcy protection." The assault on Mr Kiam's

reputation was quite untrue. Mr. Kiam had guaranteed a loan by NatWest to a friend who was being sued and had been joined as guarantor. He had not defaulted nor was there any reason to suppose that he would have to file It would be hard to imagine a more damaging allegation against

a successful entrepreneur and Mr Kiam protested vigorously. Three weeks later The Sunday Times published an apology in agreed terms. However, no agreement was reached on compensation. The Sunday Times argued that £45,000 was excessive, unreasonable and disproportionate because it had publicly apologised promptly and prominently, did not contest liability and had made an open offer of amends; that the libel, although not trivial, did not go to the integrity of Mr Kiam, was

within three weeks, depriving it of any lasting effect. For Mr Kiam it was submi that the sum awarded had to compensate him for the wrong he had suffered and so must compensate him for damage to his reputation, vindicate his good name and take account of the distress, hurt and humiliation which the defamatory publication had caused.

made in error and was corrected

Reliance was placed on John v MGN Ltd (The Times December 14, 1995) where Sir Thomas Bing-ham, Master of the Rolls, had said [1996] 2 All ER 35, 48]: "The most important factor is the gravity of the libel; the more closely it touches the plaintiff's personal integrity, & Islington.

courage, loyalty and the core attributes of his personality, the more serious it is likely to be. The extent of publication is also very relevant: a libel published to millions has a greater potential to cause damage fran a libel pub-lished to a handful of people."

Figures for circulation of the defendants' newspaper exceeded one million and the readership was estimated at three million. In his Lordship's view the law had always taken a grave view of

and damage were presumed with-out further proof in an action for : As it was put by Baron Parke in Jones v Littler ((1841) 7 M & W 423. 426): "Here the imputation is that of insolvency, which must be injurious; for if a tradesman be incapable of paying all his debts, whether in or out of trade, his credit as a tradesman, which depends on his general solvency, must be injured."

was an allegation in which loss

Judged by the criteria of reasonableness and proportional-ity his Lordship did not find that an award of £45,000 for a widespread, grave and irresponsible assertion of insolvency against a prominent entrepreneur to be excessive and he would dismiss the appeal. Lord Justice Evans and Lord

Solicitors: Mr Alistair Brett, Wapping, Peter Carter-Ruck and

Justice Pill delivered concurring

Correction In Gray v Richards Butler (The Times July 23) the solicitors for the

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Kent County Council v lants: Mr Kevin Sparks for the Holland

and Mr Justice Brian Smedley [Judgment July 22] Causing fear in pedestrians was not an obstruction of the highway for the purposes of section 137(1) of the Highways Act 1980. The Queen's Bench Divisional

Court so held when dismissing an

Before Lord Justice Schiemann

appeal by way of case stated by Kent County Council from the dismissal by Gravesend Justices on October 10, 1995 of an information against Graham Holland that he wilfully obstructed the free passage along a footpath contrary to section 137(1) of the 1980 Act. Mr Holland owned the property djacent to the path, part of the boundary of which comprised large gauge wire mesh. He allowed his rottweller dogs to act

in a menacing way towards people

using the path; they would jump up at the lence barking furiously and on occasion their jowls would protrude beyond the line of the

Mr John Bryant for the appel-

Attorney General v British Broadcasting Corporation Same v Hat Trick Produc-Before Lord Justice Auld and Mr Justice Sachs

That words were spoken on a

humorous and irreverent tele-

[Judgment June 12]

vision programme did not diminish the risk of serious prejudice to those involved in pending criminal proceedings.
The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so stated when allowing the motion of the Attorney-General for committal of the British Broadcasting Corporation and Hat Trick ing corporation and that ITICK Productions Lid for contempt of court arising out of the BBC's television broadcast of a pro-gramme Have I Got News For You, produced by Hat Trick. The programme was broadcast on

Mr Philip Havers, QC, for the Attorney-General; Mr Andrew Caldecott, QC, for the BBC and LORD JUSTICE AULD said

April 29, 1994 and repeated the following day. Each was fined

Sat the Attorney-General's case was that the programme was in contempt of court because it created a substantial risk of serious prejudice to the pending criminal trial of Kevin and Ian Maxwell and others at the Central Criminal Court on charges of alleged fraud, and thereby breached the strict · liability file in sections I and 2 of 

of the dogs amounted to an obstruction in as much as their presence instilled fear into those persons passing along the path and prevented them from enjoying free passage over all parts of it;

MR JUSTICE BRIAN

SMEDLEY said that the appel-

lants contended that the presence

that the protrusion of the dogs heads over the footpath coupled with their behaviour amounted to a physical obstruction of the footpath. The justices had found that the

respondent had been acting lawfully in the use of his property to exercise his dogs and that his actions were wilful. On the question of whether there

was an obstruction they found the appellants' contention difficult reconcile with the wording of the statute. So did his Lordship. The uncertainty of the test and the inconsistent results it would produce in the view of the justices minigated against such an inter-pretation. His Lordship agreed

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# **EDUCATION**

John O'Leary on a scheme that could halt England's alarming slide in the world education league



Old fashioned 'whole-class teaching' in Wigan in 1939: should we go back to basics and adopt some of the successful teaching methods used on the continent?

# What's wrong with our maths?

vidence of British underachievement in mathecompelling that yesterday's Ofsted report on overseas comparisons was barely challenged. The focus of debate has switched from whether there is a problem to how it can be tackled. Professor David Reynolds of Newcastle University found that primary school children in the countries of the Pacific Rim were well ahead of their counterparts in Britain, despite much larger classes. And comparable European

nations were also forging ahead. Any lingering doubts about the small sample used in the Ofsted report will be dispelled when the main international study of standards in science and mathematics appears in November. That will show England sliding down the world league at an alarming rate: from 3 per cent above the international average six years ago to 3 per

cent below now. English 13-year-olds are bottom of a sub-set of nine comparable countries out of the 41 taking part in the Third International Mathematics and Science Study. Only the Americans tested for the study answered as few questions correctly as the English in Year 8 of the school system, and even the Americans were marginally ahead in Year 9. Table-topping Singapore was 26 percentage points ahead of

England in both years. Today comes more detailed advice from the one authority which has systematically adapted European methods for the British classroom. Although it is too soon for the six primary schools in Barking and

Dagenham to demonstrate the success of their Anglo-Swiss regime, the organisers of the project have drawn preliminary conclusions about the changes required in

primary education. Professor Sig Prais's analysis will be published next week in the journal of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research. Like Professor Reynolds, his chief aim is to ensure that more of each primary school class make progress together. The Ofsted report notes that England is the only country in its study where the gap in achievement between the brightest and the slowest grows in primary schools.

In Barking and Dagenham, whole-class teaching has been the basis of the new strategy. Professor Prais accepts that the term covers a multitude of styles, but the system

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must encourage participation by all the children if it is to work.

The emphasis in the project especially with younger pupils, is on mental arithmetic. Much of each lesson is devoted to a teacher-led question and answer session. "This approach to teaching is some distance from the lecturing style that so often springs to the mind of English teachers when 'whole-class teaching' is mentioned," he says.

Professor Prais adds that, with better teaching materials to ensure that pupils are able to consolidate what they have learnt with more exercises. Swiss methods could bring improvements in British schools. But they may not be enough on their own: continental schools may have organisational lessons to teach us as well.

The first area is in the age of entry and progress through school.

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Professor Prais advocates at least three to four months' flexibility in the age at which a child starts school, recognising the varying rates of development among young children. Parents would be given the final decision, informed by

"school-readiness" testing. Greater flexibility in continental schools makes it easier for them to operate mixed-ability primary classes because pupils are grouped by "gestational age" rather than by calendar age. Pupils of all ages are also likely to be held back a year if they fail to reach required standards.

Continental classes are often split into two for reading and arithmetic. enabling the teacher to concentrate on individual needs while a teaching assistant supervises the rest of the pupils. On some days, half the class may come to school early and

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the other leave late.

Professor Prais says: "The arrangement is similar in intention to but more effective in its application than that current in English schools where a teacher occasionally spends some minutes with a group of half a dozen pupils sitting around a table, while other pupils in that room proceed with their separate activities watched out of the corner of the teacher's eye."

The other continental practice advocated by Professor Prais is the appointment of class teachers for more than one year. While British primary teachers tend to swap classes each year, elsewhere in Europe it is accepted that it takes a term to get to know pupils individually, identify their strenghts and weakness, and assess what motivates them. To minimise the time wasted, the class will keep the same teacher for up to four years.

ofessor Prais acknowledges that British parents would be worried that their children would suffer from such long exposure to an inade-quate teacher, but the benefits of continuity might outweigh the dangers. The organisers of the Gatsby Project stress that their scheme is still experimental and, even if successful, would take years to have an impact nationally. But they believe that a few fundamental and relatively inexpensive changes could improve primary schools in

Duplicated copies of Professor Prais's article cost E5 from the Publications Department, NIESR, 2 Dean Trench Street, London SWIP 3HE. The whole edition of the Economic Review is E25.

# A parent's life and hard times

Neil McIntosh opens the pages of his diary of the academic year

The story starts in July open evening at my daughter's preferred sixth form, a consortium of four north London schools. She is insistent that she does not want to stay at her current, independent girls

Academically, I am encouraged by the open evening, though I worry about the notion of 16-year-olds moving between three or four schools with large parts of each day entirely unstructured

August: With summer holidays over, we suddenly realise that we have had no communication from the local primary school about our five-year-old son, apart from the one-para-graph letter confirming his place. What day does he start? What time? What other information should we have?

We phone, and according to the caretaker there will be no teachers in until next week and

they will not be available that day because it is a "training day". I send a stiff letter saying we expect, on Monday, to be able to talk to the head, whose first full year this will be.

September 4: Apologetic call from the head. How could we have slipped through education the net? Next day the start of school. A bright, enthusiastic hypertension quite bi-new teacher for the reception zarre but I know it is a fact and

class. Altogether reassuring. On the other hand, no induction or induction materials.

September 12: Invitation from Judith (who she?) to a new parents' meeting at two days' notice. Which of us can/should drop everything?

October: The third start of the year as my 20-year-old firstborn heads off to read history at York. Not only a good university but, coincidentally, his parents alma mater. The attractions of the place and the undergraduate life are obvious. Having enjoyed it to the full I feel guilty at my conclusion that it is indefensible for poorer taxpayers to be contributing to this privilege.

November: Will she, won't she - our three-year-old that is - get a place in the nursery at her brother's school? No one seems to know. Eventually the head assures my wife that notices will go out "in a few days". My wife walks back to our house and the letter offering a part-time place is on the doormat.

March: Sudden deterioration in the behaviour of our five-yearold. Why should a bright, unusu-

ally academic boy who is very fond of his teacher suddenly give her a hard time? The teacher wonders if it is something at home. We worry about modern classroom environments which are, of course, less formal and somewhat noisier than we have

been used to. April: We attend a parents' evening as part of the Ofsted inspection of the school. About 40 parents generally, and rightly, supportive of the school but with quite widespread concern

about under-achievement.
I receive a letter from York. My son wants to leave to train to be an actor. Somewhat depressed, I get in touch. This summer term, he tells me, he receives 3.25 hours teaching per

May: We spend an hour with the nursery teacher. A full-time place is, almost certainly, available next term. The nursery teacher is, as ever, helpful and thorough. However she won't be

doing an assembly with the children this Sports day term because she, and others, are too showed all exhausted by the Ofsted inspection. My wife is bemused. I, running a company that was which has managed wrong more than 600 school with

inspections, shrug my shoulders. I find the inability of teachers to undergo inspection without suffering

that a major change in culture and attitude is needed from the profession as a whole.
July: Now 17, my older daugh-

ter, is working in a restaurant for the last two weeks of term. This is supposedly work experience. In fact she has plenty such experience and, in effect, the term has simply ended two weeks early and she is earning money for the summer.

I do not mind her doing this, but it does confirm some of my worries about the consortium's hands-off management of sixth formers.

The primary school sports day is a woefully disorganised melce of non-competitive activities in the hard playground, though there is a park close by. The afternoon makes me reflect on what is wrong with education. What makes the liberal Left equate disorganisation and inefficiency with caring? The lack of structure gave the teachers a gruesomely stressful afternoon.

July 19: Term ends. We have received no formal notification that a full-time nursery place is

## Gerry McCrum on the law of diminishing returns

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## ¬he best school I ever attended was perched on the edge of Liverpool Zoo, with a square mile of 1930s semis on one side and Victorian terraces on the other. It was known as an elementary school and was of elementary construction: corrugated iron. It was dry, comfortable and well heated.

A magnificent headmaster, Mr Clayton, shared the teaching at moments of stress, for example when two classes each of 45 pupils had to be taught together. He also helped Miss Dodd, the mistress of the "scholarship class" prepare for what became known later as the eleven-plus.

Mr Clayton and Miss Dodd took it in turns to teach for an extra hour each morning between 8 and 9 o'clock. This extra tuition was devoted to the core subjects, arithmetic and English, particularly English composition. It came, therefore, as no

surprise to me that a quarter of a century later an expensive and exhaustive American report concluded that money was not a major factor in the efficiency of schools. A school needs some money to function effectively, but extra money brings diminishing returns.

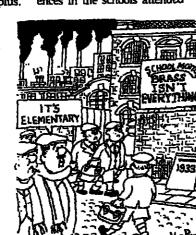
The report was pre-pared by Professor Coleman, a Johns Hopkins University sociologist. It was commissioned by the administration of President Johnson who required a survey "concerning the lack of availability of equal educaviduals by reason of race.

The politicians anticipated a document supporting a massive increase in educational funding for black children who, by and large, had their own schools. Coleman himself · predicted that "The study will

## Money isn't enough

show the difference in quality of schools that the average negro child and the average white child are exposed to. You know yourself that the differ-

ence is going to be striking."
To almost universal surprise and in many instances profound despair, the differences in the schools attended



by black and white children were negligible. The considerable difference in average performance between black and white children was not caused by a difference in

school expenditure. The report has had a pro-found and continuing effect. To many it is a counsel of despair. It was badly received by liberal politicians, who hoped that the problems of the black under-class would be solved, at a stroke, with a massive injection of cash. It was hadly received by the

But the main thrust, that classmates matter most, is well within our own experience. Today the great majority of our A-level students are educated in neighbourhood comprehensives. Boys and girls living in areas with high property prices have an en-hanced chance of affluent classmates. These neighbourhoods attract families willing to pay extra for a superior house, and the likelihood of affluent classmates for their

children. With no selection process in operation, other than the catchment area, the subtle characteristics that generate superior school performance just happen to occur most frequently in schools with

affluent pupils.
But what of boys and girls who do not live in affluent areas? Clearly for them the neighbourhood comprehensive may not be a good school. This "Coleman Effect" can be seen clearly in my own town, Oxford, and doubt-less elsewhere in the UK.

The message of Coleman, however, is not of complete despair. According to Professor Christopher Jencks, an American sociologist, "if schools used their resources differently, additional re-

sources might conceivably have large payoffs". Dimin-ishing returns from additional resources is predicted only if a school continues its existing teaching strategy.
Would my Liverpool ele-

mentary school have been improved by a cash injection? Looking back, the outside toilets were certainly pathetic. But would we have swapped state-of-the-art toilets for some of the good things in life? For instance the 15-minute story reading at the end of school. I

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# A cuckoo in the nest

xford University has accepted a multi-million pound donation to found a business school. It will no doubt boast the most opulent interior of any building in the university but will the brightest and the universities? best of its students, from one

decisions: they should be valof our brightest and best centres of learning, seek corre-spondingly high-powered positions in industry to practise the skills they have learnt? No: the cream of the milk today is in management con-sultancy. There, without necessarily having ever been in a permanent position of respon-

sibility in a commercial con-cern, MBAs will tell people what they should do.

Management is not a subject where principles can be abstracted from the details of what a company does. The notion of an officer class of managers is uniformly disastrous for the only general principles that can be trans-mitted by teaching of this sort

involve finance. After the war a team of young business graduates in the Pentagon, innovators in applying statistics to military logistics, offered themselves as a management team to Ford. At that time the company was struggling to recov-er from 15 years of eccentric absolutism. The new managers ended the chaos but they

was quantifiable — money The result was that they consistently underinvested so that, when the oil crunch came in the 1970s, Ford found itself lagging. Fortunately for Ford, what ultimately (and painfully) re-emerged were life as a money man switches

could understand only what

top car men who understood money. But no one who starts to become a car man. Every large company needs financial experts. But they Is business a

respectable subject for

ued advisers to executives who know the company intimately. The idea of an industry-transfer market in top management is misguided. The same problem afflicts the National Health Service

today. Tough decisions about healthcare rationing — which have always been necessary are no longer made by doctors but by remote administrators. Today we are even further along the path of abstract management and manage-

An officer class of managers is uniformly disastrous

ment consultants charge huge fees to give advice for which they take no financial respon-sibility. Incredibly, Oxford called in management consultants recently to examine relationships within and between its colleges, faculties and ad-ministration. Incredible, because the dons must be so hypnotised as to discount these problems. Every university is a de-

scendant of Plato's Academy, in having a brief to ask questions of the world and to seek to answer them. Europe's oldest universities were founded in the Middle Ages and the idea of the university received a huge boost from should not make the ultimate & the Renaissance's emphasis

on this world rather than the next. Knowledge was organ-ised into categories taken from classical civilisation.

taught in distinct "schools". The Bachelor of Arts degree comprised grammar, logic and rhetoric, and the Master of Arts music, arithmetic, geometry and astronomy. Over centuries of scholarship these categories slowly slip-ped out of date. But today's subjects are their direct descendant and in this nest 'management' is a cuckoo, an

impostor.

Here is a quote from the Cambridge Institute of Management Studies' research prospectus on what some of its staff are studying: "determinants of quality strategy and the role of marketing in affecting the relationship between quality-related positional advantages and business performance". Another is "the conceptualisation of "the conceptualisation of strategy and strategic change; the relationship between strategy and values and the role of culture and communication in

the management of change". Where are the vivid images and concrete nouns? This is abstract to the point where the eyes glaze over. More telling is the new jargon for a personnel department — human resources. That is how the Nazis regarded people.

Nobody who knew about automobile engineering or spent years haggling with customers in car showrooms could write like this. Our universities had it right when courses in management took place only as part of a degree in engineering. The year in industry in some MBA courses is a step in the right direction, but to go all the way is impossible because the business schools would have to abolish themselves.

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# Smethurst is surprise package at Portrush

BY MELWEBB

FOR a long time yesterday, the first round of the Senior British Open at Royal Portrush looked like living proof of the contention that, in any race, the thoroughbreds prevail. Then, all of a sudden, along came a man with hardly any pedigree at all and effortlessly joined the leading group.

The expected names - Neil Coles, Malcolm Gregson, Bob Charles, Tom Wargo and Tommy Horton — were on the leaderboard, Coles and Gregson on 67, five under par, the rest a shot behind. Then came Roy Smethurst, an amateur golfer, to upset the applecart and scatter the grade A fruit hither and yon.

Smethurst, 54 last month, had a 67 to tie for the lead. then told the story of the round of his life. A former England youth international and a scratch player for 35 years, he had birdies on each of the first three holes, dropped a shot on the 8th, and further birdies on the 13th, 14th, 16th and 17th put him into a one-shot lead. He then three-putted the last from 60 feet to deny the romantics in the crowd a yarn to take home with them.

He hardly had the right sort of preparation to come into this championship — he had played only about ten medal rounds this year before taking on the might of the Dunluce links. "I only have so many holidays a year," he said. "I'm a true amateur." There was nothing very amateur about the way he finished the day ahead of such luminaries as Charles, Gary Player and Brian Barnes, the defending

champion. Earlier. Barnes had the detached air of a man who else. He forfeited the chance of playing in a tournament \$1.1 million (about £735,000) to play at Portrush.

but probably would have preferred to rest. Barnes is playchampionship in as many weeks. He tied for fourth place in the US Senior Open, finished third in the Ford Senior Players' Championship and then played four rounds in the Open Championship at Royal Lytham last week. He was, he

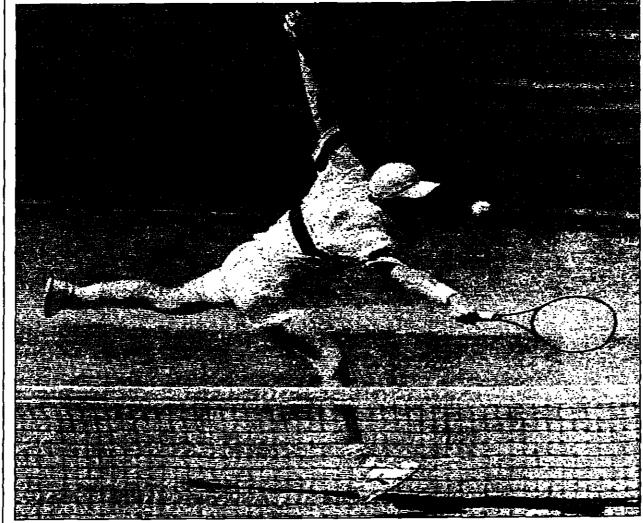
said, "exhausted". If he had been offered a lift somewhere around the turn, he looked as if he would have accepted it: a couple of hours after his level-par round of 72, he was talking about transport matters.

"If you want to get more Americans to play in this, you are going to have to get carts," he said. "They are available on the senior tour in the States for anybody who wants them and, although I always walk the course, there are many players who use them to have a short rest and a sit-down between shots." It was just as well that there were no members of the Royal and Ancient around; certain of them would either have expired quietly in the corner, while others would have accused Barnes of some sort of heresy. Earlier, Wargo, who had

won in considerable style at Lytham in 1994, revealed an unusual sponsorship. Professional golfers are used to being given cars, others have clothing contracts, practically all of them have some sort of deal for clubs. But cigars? This is something new.

Wargo and Larry Loretti, another notorious puffer of fat stogies, have a small deal with a Mexican firm of cigar manufacturers to smoke Teamos, a well-known brand in the Uni-

Wargo had one and a half yesterday, he admitted. "It would have been two, but the rain got the second one," he



Jeffrey Hunter stretches for a backhand volley for Surrey in their match against Devon in the county championship at Eastbourne yesterday (Alix Ramsay writes). Hunter and Danny Sapsford beat Daniel Ahl and Gary Drake 7-5, 6-3, reviving memories of the days when Hunter was one of the most promising young players in British tennis. The combination of time out to study at Oxford, knee injuries and a career in management

consultancy put an end to that. Surrey are favourites to win the title, having already beaten the only other

of course, if everyone has got their maths right. Around this time during County Week, it is easy to spot the team captains. They are the men and women by the side of the court ageing visibly. The relegation and championship battles come to a head now and in the round-robin format with the total number of matches, rubbers and sets taken into account, it can require a calculator to work out who will be

back at Eastbourne next year. Warwickshire's women's team kept the tension going long into the

group one members since the competition began and who were hanging on to that position by their fingertips. Surrey had to win to get some points in the bank. They play the leaders, Essex, today, with little hope of success. Warwickshire could, in theory, afford a narrow loss to Surrey if they beat third-placed Leicestershire today by a big enough margin. As Katie Rickett and and Tamsin Wainwright edged past Karen Hunter, sister of Jeffrey, and Siobhan Nicholson 1-6, 6-3, 6-7, everything was finely

balanced at 3-3 at tea. Photograph: Hugh Routledge

## real contenders. Hampshire and the afternoon. They were playing Surrey,

## Horan and Crowley miss All Blacks clash

RUGBY UNION: CENTRE MAY NOT BE FIT FOR FINAL GAME IN SOUTH AFRICA

By Our Sports Staff

TIM HORAN, the Australia centre, will miss the tri-nation international against New Zealand in Brisbane tomorrow after breaking his nose in training. He will be replaced by Richard Tombs.

A decision on whether to

take Horan to South Africa for next month's final round of trination matches will be made

suffered another blow when Dan Crowley, the prop, withdrew from Saturday's game with a broken toe. He will be replaced by Richard

ern hemisphere competition

at the weekend. Australia with nine points from two

France - held a meeting in

Gloucester rugby officials have accused the Rugby Foot-ball Union (RFU) of "steamroller" tactics after being forced to cancel a match with Western Samoa on November 22 as the RFU have added three more divisional games to the Samoans' tour itinerary.

MOTOR RACING

## Williams fails to suppress gossip

FROM OLIVER HOLT

DAMON HILL last night brushed aside speculation that his Williams team had signed his German rival, Heinz-Harald Frentzen, to replace him next season. Those who crowded into the Williams motor-home expecting discord found only harmony. "Frank Williams and I are united in a common goal," Hill said jauntily. That is to win the drivers' championship and the constructors' champion-

ship." Hill, who wants Williams to double his money for next season if he wins the drivers' title this year, said he had not sought any reassurance from his employer about the rumours that the deal with Frentzen had been done. "I am not going to be drawn into conjecture as to my future because that is not of any interest to me at the moment."

Williams attempted to get in on the act with a prepared statement, but his effort was less convincing and did not deny that an arrangement with Frentzen had been reached. "Jacques Villeneuve, having commenced a two-year contract with the team at the beginning of the 1996 season," Williams said, "is the only confirmed driver for 1997. Negotiations regarding the team's other driver for 1997 will commence in good time." A new round of speculation

broke yesterday as the drivers arrived here for the German Grand Prix on Sunday, suggesting that Hill might be on the verge of signing a contract with the Stewart team, which will make its debut in Formula One next year. Even though the team is thought to have secured sponsorship of £125 million from the Hong Kong Shanghai Bank, it is unlikely that Hill would risk a drive with an untried team.

Frentzen seemed bemused by the attention that was being lavished on him, even at his home grand prix. "There is nothing to hide," Frentzen said. "I would like to drive for Williams. If my manager has not talked to them, he has not been doing his job."

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

## Union clubs alerted by Offiah transfer

By DAVID MADDOCK

MARTIN OFFIAH is on the verge of a move to London. which will see him embrace both rubgy codes. The Wigan player is having talks with London Broncos, but he will also spend half of his year playing for a high-profile rugby union club in the south. It is unclear which union club will secure his services, but reliable sources within rugby league said last night that it is likely to be either Bedford or Wasps, with the former, backed by Frank

the favourite. Wigan comfirmed last night that the deal could be completed by the weekend and the only stumbling block now is just how Broncos and their union allies will divide Offiah's time. There is an: overlap between the two seasons and neither club wants to be seen as the junior partner in the transfer.

Warren, the boxing promoter,

A compromise is sure is be reached, however, and it will allow the Great Britain international to sign a three-year contract worth in the region of El million. Graeme West, the Wigan coach, confirmed last night that his club had concluded transfer talks and agreed a deal at a fee of £300.000.

"It is possible Martin could even be a Broncos player by the weekend," West said. "The deal has been struck and even though it is a big blow, he is coming to the twilight of his

career. The transfer signals the demise of Wigan as an invincible force in rugby league and could also set a trend to clubs sharing players between the two codes. South Wates are thought likely to strike up a similar sharing arrangement with Cardiff when they enter the Stones Super League next season.

There are problems still to be negotiated, though. Offiah is a likely candidate for both England and the Lions at union. Any tours, however, would clash with the league season and the player has a watertight contract with the Super League.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE: New York 4 Texas 2; Caldand 6 Chicago 5; Boston 12 Kansas Cây 2; Cleveland 10 Toronto 0; Minnesota 11 Beltimore 4; Seattle 8 Milwaukee.

CRICKET

SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (final day of times): Herrow: Middleses 382-4 dec; yorkshre 211 and 24-4 (B Parker 65 not out. C A Chapman 57). Match drawn. Cleriftvorpes: Notinghamshire 385-7; Clamangan 192 and 231-5 (A W Evans 97) Match drawn Bristol: Gloucestenshre 308-3 dec and 262-8 dec (D R Hewson 104, K P Sheeraz 53, J Boling 6-85). Durham 303-7 dec and 211 (D A Blenhamon 50, R P Daws 5-49). Gloucestenshre won by 56 nurs. Hinckley: Leocatorshre won by 56 nurs. Hinckley: Leocatorshre 301-7 dec (D Shewars 53, P Whithcase 61 not out) and 90-1: Derbyshre 253 (M R May 52) Match drawn. The Owel Suney 357 (J J Ward 67, B C Holloske 61, J A Knott 99 not out, A D Brown 57; S J Penshaw 4-53) and 198-7 dec (J J Ward 55, G J Kernus 52): Harmpshre 275-9 (M J Thursfield 73, G W Mritte 51, R W Nowell 4-85). Match drawn Hore: Susses, 310 (J W Hail 92 M Amjad 7-103) and 156-6 dec (J A Raddord 51 not out); Worcestershre 205 (A Lucan 52, J J Bates 4-64) and 47 (J J Bates 5-14). Susses, and by 214 nurs. Wallinley CC: Essex 242 (T P Hodgson 52: G Welch 4-85) and 217 (J S Lewis 113: M D Edmond 5-56). Warwickshre 537-7 dec (D P Oster 26, M J Powel 138, N V Prabriu 65, A Flost 87 not out, M D Edmond 61 not out). Warwickshre san primos and 78 nurs. out, M D Edmond 61 not out). Warwickshire out, an ordinated into out, wearning the won by an intrings and 78 runs.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: (first day of two): Askarm: Cumberland 240 (M. G. Scother 56), Staffordshie 193-8 (Ginbolton School: Cambridgeshrie 199-8 Kellert 51, T. J. A. Scriven 5-49) and 48-0. Buckinghamshire 198-5 (R.B. Hurd. 105 not out):

FOOTBALL FOOTBALL

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Southampton 1. Queen of the South botton Wanderers 3
UEFA UNDER-18 CHAMPIUONSHIP:
Group A: Portugal 0 France 1 (at Epinal)
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Spain 0 (at Florange)

HILVERSUM, Holland: Dutch Open: Early leading first-round scores (GB and Ira unless stated) 64: Dryth 68: D Fehery, J Van de Velde (Fr) 68: S Field, R Claydon 67: P O'Malley (Aus), P Pince 88: S Richardson, R McFarlane, R Chapman, R Russel, C Cevaer (Fr) 68: C Hall, G Clark, I Pyman, J Huzton (US), S Luña (Sp). D Chopra (Swe), T Picca (Span), M Life (Sp). D Chopra (Swe), T Picca (Span), M Welch, S Hoch (US), S Torrance, M Gronberg (Swe), M Lariner (Swe), M Claydon (Aus), \* M Lafeber (Holl), P Afflect, A Cabrera (Arg), 71: D Higgins, A Lebour (Fr), C Van der Velde (Holl), C Rocca (f), S Ames (frin), R Murtz (Holl), P Braditurel, L Wickswood, P Mitchell, J Spence, D Carler, A Sherbone, G Baruffadd (ft), J Bickerton, J Priero (Sp), R Coles, D Howell, R Wechgelser (Holl), M Mouland, 72: M Wills, B Pappas (SA), K Eriksson (Swe), P Baker, P Fowler (Aus), D Bonego (Sp), M Gatics, N Briggs, G Chalmers (Aus), S McAllister 73: G Raiph, W Westner (SA), M McLearn, N Fasth (Swe), D Macherou, I Gamdio (So), P Lawre, J Lorras, D Robertson 74: F Valera (Sp), J Bivero (Sp), P Curry, S Lowe, (Holl), A Kanildomen (Fin), M van den Berg (Holl), 75: \* N Nasy (Holl), G Brand, Jr, R May (US), P Moloney (Aus), S Shurer (Ger), S Inmirg (Den), I Plancher (Fr), P Spland (Swe).

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET First Comhill Test match 11 0, second day at five, 90 avers minimum LORD'S: England y Pakislan Britannic Assurance county championship 11.0, second day of four, 104 overs

CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Lancashre CHELTENHAM: Gloucostershre v Warwickshire SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Surrey LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Sussex 11 0, third day of lour, 104 overs minimum KIDDERMINSTER: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire SCARBOROUGH; Yorkshire v

110 Seet day of four TRENT BAIDGE: Nottinghamshire BAIN HOGG TROPHY (one day). Bourne-mouth SC: Hampstere v Worcestorshire. FC Jazz (Fin) 1 (FC Jazz won 4-1 on agg); Vasimannaeyjar (toe) 0 Lamtana (Est) 0 (Lantana won 2-1 on agg); Partizan Belgrade (Yug) 3 Maccabi Harta (Ist) 1 (Partizan won 4-1 on agg); CS Grevanmachar (Lud) 2 Dinamo Tollisi (Geo) 2 (Dinamo Tollisi (Geo) 2 (Dinamo Tollisi Van 4-2 on agg); FC Kosice (Slovelide) 2 Teuta Druz (Alb) 1 (FC Kosice (Slovelide) 2 Teuta Druz (Alb) 1 (Slavie won 6-2 on agg); Leide won 3-2 on agg); Interes Gritas (Litt) 1 Slavie Sofia (Bul) 6 Nehchi Balcu (Azar) 0 (Lokomotiv Sofia (Bul) 6 Nehchi Balcu (Azar) 0 (Lokomotiv Sofia (Bul) 6 Nehchi Balcu (Azar) 0 (Lokomotiv Sofia (Bul) 6 Nehchi Balcu (Parisaw (Pol) 3 Jaunesse Esch (Lud) 0 (Leide Wessaw won 7-2 on agg); Harpita (Pol) 1 (Haria won 2-0 on agg); Harpita (Pol) 1 (Haria won 2-0 on agg); Apoel Nicosia (Cyp) 4 Sandoyar (Alarians) 2 (Apoel won 9-3 on agg); Stels (Macedona) 1 (Apares (Sovena) 1 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Peters 1 (Promouth Argyle 2 Nottergham Forest 1 (Promouth Argyle 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Peters 1 (Promouth Argyle 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Peters 1 (Promouth Argyle 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athliche 2 (Vandar Stoppe won 3-1 on agg); Wagan Athlich

PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Chesterheid 2 Notingham Forest 1, Plymouth Angle ( Chelsee 3, Caemarton 2 Wigan Athletic 2 Southend United 1 Motherwell 0; Dagon ham and Rodbindge 0 West Ham United 4 Ayr United 1 Liston Town 0; Sunderland 8 Sleaus Bucharest 1, Aldershot 0 Futharin 1 Thockley 1 Bradford City 3, Enthold Arsenda 1; Bray Wanderest 0 Notwork City 2 Crewe Alexandra 0 Liverpood 1, Waterlord City 2 Swithsmither 1, Orean of the South 1

DERBY: Derbyshire v Keril HARTLEPOOL: Durham v Essex

Tring: Northamptonshire v Warwelshire Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan The Oval: Surrey v Kent RUGBY LEAGUE Stones Super League Wigan v Hairfay Blue Sox (6.30)

York v Leigh Centurions (7 30) . . .

Second division

FOOTBALL Kick-off 7 30 unless stated PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Caemarton v Blackburn: Rovers, Chettenham v Southampton: Scarborough v Bradford, Wycombe v Queens Park Rangers (7.45); Bighton v Shelfield Wednesday (7.45); Billericay v Southend (7.45). STENA LINE TOURNAMENT: Glentoren v St Mirren (at Strannaer PC, 5.45); Strannaer v Crusaders (at Strannaer PC, 7.45).

OTHER SPORT OTHER SPORT

GOLF: British seniors' championship
(Portrush); Guerdian Insh Holidays Women's Open (Saggart, Co Dublin).

SPEEDWAY: Premier Leegue (7 30): Beile
Yuru v Micdlesbrought, Oxford v Bradford;
Poterborough v Wolverhampton.

TENNIS; Inter-county championships SHOOTING

BISLEY: NRA Imperial meeting: Australia match (300, 600, 900 and 1,000yd): 1, Great Britain 1,953,277pts; 2, Australia 1,910,232; 3, Carada 1,910,216 Individual Challenge Bowl: J Warburton (Fluddensfeld) 199,35. World veterans long range (900 and 1,000yd): 1, Great Britain 748 7; 1, A Clarkia 97 (3); 2, Australia 737 88; 3, South Africa 728,46 Burdwan Cup (services overed championship): 1, RAF 24 match points: 2, Regular Army 18; 3 TA 18; Gary Jones Troptry (school learns): 1, Gresham's 949 93; 2, Severnoels 942.53; 3, Chellenham 933,58, Delly Matil Cup (500yd)\* Tile-shoot 1, R Comms (Huddensfeld): 50,1025 3/5/4; 2, J Warburton (Fluddensfeld): 50,1025 3/5/4; 2, J Warburton (Fluddensfeld): 50,1025 3/5/4; 3, P Weston (Rodenminster): 50,10/25,3/5/4; 3,

CAIRO: Junior man's world championship; Team event; Querter-finals: England
3 Argentina 0 (England names Inst. L
Beachill bt J G Keen 94, 9-1, 9-1 A Grant
bt D de Belta 9-2, 9-0; P Allen bt J Bantan 90, 9-2, 9-31; Egypt 3 Wales 0 (Egypt Insense
first A Fazzy bi M Bernamn 9-2, 9-6, 9-2; K
El Missikawi bt G Tippings 9-3, 9-4; A
Snebana bt C Danues 9-4, 9-3, 9-1;
Switzerland 2 Australia 1: Palestan 3
Malaysia 0, Semi-firmat Beachill bt A Khran
7-9, 9-5, 9-7, 9-0; J Russell lost to A Azmat
5-9, 4-9, 2-9, Grant bt K Shup 9-7, 1-9, 109, 9-7). Nimith place play-offs; Holland 2
France 1: Findand 3 Hong Kong 0, Germany
3 New Zealand 0, Canada 2 Umided States
1 Lower place play-offs; Stolland 2,
Austria 1 (Soutland names first A Tacker bi
G Schedibauer 9-4, 9-7, 4-9, 9-6, C Small
lost to A Fuchs 7-9, 3-9, D Knowlet bt M
Rossier 9-1, 9-5, 4-9, 9-7) South Africa 2
Spain 1, Singapores 3 Cypnus 0, Knowlet

TENNIS

LTA COUNTY CUP: Men: Group one (Eastbourner) Surey 5 Hampshire and Isle of Wight 4 Devon 5 Derbyshee 4: Yorkshee 7 Lecostashire 2 Group how (Corner) Barkshire 4 Essee 6 Dones 3. Group three (Hunstanton): Warwcishtre 7 Hestorickhire 2 West of Scotland 5 South Wales. 4 Lincohishire 5 Modelesse 4 Group four (Purley). Northerpharishire 7 Witchire 2. Oxfordshire 5 South 5 Dutham and Cleveland 6. Dutham and Cleveland 6. Susset 6 Avon 3. Dutham and Cleveland 8 Cheshire 1. Norther 5 Avon 4. Susset 6 Avon 3. Dutham and Cleveland 8 Cheshire 1. Northerpharit 5 Avon 4. Susset 6 Avon 3. Dutham and Cleveland 8 Cheshire 1. Northerpharit 5 Shrogshire 4 Group seven (Southsee). Suffall 6 Bedfordshire 3: North-imberland 5 Shrogshire 4 Group seven (Southsee). Suffall 6 Gloucestershire 4. Staffordshire 9 Cumbris 0: South of Scotland 8 Chemiel Islands 1. North Wales 8 Isle of Men 1. Women: Group one Islandshire 9. Lincostershire 5 Surrey 4. Group hire (Oxford): South Wales 6 Hertlordshire 3. Lancashire 7 Hampshire and Island Wordshire 8. Carobineshire 3. Group in the Chelinshire 1. Norther 6 Lincolathire 3. Group in the (Feloxichire 6 Lincolathire 3 Chromitaline 9 Buckinghamshire 0 Group five (Feloxichire 1 Chemichire 6 Lincolathire 3 Chromptamshire 9 South of Southard 3 South 6 Southard 4 North of Scotland 6 Northumberland 3 Group seven (East Molesey): Avon 8 South 6 Southard 4 Chammel Islands 2 Southard 5 South of Southard 4 Chammel Islands 5 South of Southard 4 TENNIS

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Australia were beaten 43-6 by the All Blacks in the opening tri-nation fixture in Wellington on July 6. New Zealand, who lead the south-

Grant aids

England's

progress

ADRIAN GRANT rescued England again yesterday by winning the deciding third-string rubber of their world

innior men's team souash

championship semi-final with

Pakistan in Cairo (Colin

Grant overcame Kashif

Shuja 9-7, 1-9, 0-9, 9-7 to earn England an unexpected place in the final. "For a 15-year-old,

he took the pressure so well," David Pearson, the England

Earlier, John Russell had

surrendered a 5-3 lead in his

opening game against Ajaz

Asmat before slipping to a 5-9,

4-9. 2-9 defeat. It took a determined 7-9. 9-5. 9-7. 9-0

first-string win over Amjad

Khan from Lee Beachill, of

Barnsley, to put England back into the match.

Smyth's sweep

McQuillan writes).

coach, said.

games, will clinch the inaugural tri-nations title if they win. English rugby officials will attend another emergency meeting next Wednesday in an attempt to close the gap between them and their Euro-

pean partners over the controversial £87.5 million BSkyB television deal. On Wednesday, the full five nations' committee — including

Sandown Park

Going: good to firm, firm in places

2.15 (5 foyd) 1, BitG BBN (Pat Eddery, 13-2); 2. Hoth Dancer (K Darley, 4-6 fay), 3. Kaen Weters (C Rutter, 25-1) ALSO RAN-6 Darleh Ayr (Shi), Miss Barcelona (4th), 10 Comcrake (5th), 6 ran 1 ki, 1 ki, 1 ki, 2 R Harmon at East Everleigh, 1 fote: 65.20: 52.20, £1 10. DF: £4.30. CSF: £11 43

52.20, £1 10. DF: £4.30. CSF: £11 43
2.50 (1m 14yd) 1, YALTA (Pst Eddery, 11-10 fay); 2, Royal Result (J. Reid, 14-1); 3, Fillel (A Clark, 16-1), ALSO RAN-4 Santalia Kane (441), Summer Beauty (6th), 16 Thurstaston, 20 Indetuation (8th), 25 Classic Royale, September 1, 100 Honeyshan, Young Rose, 12 ran, 54, 354, Tal, 54, 57 R. Charlton at Beditampton, Tole: £2.20; £1.10, £4.50, £5.00. DF: £8.50 Inc; £46.40, CSF-£17.87

London and again said the onus was on the English to find a settlement.

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Wednesday's

Inc: £46.40, CSF-£17.87 3.25 (716)d) 1, RED CAMELLIA (T Cunn, 5-1); 2, Yashmak (Pa Edday, 11-10 lav), 3, Lyoliby (B Dovie, 50-1), ALSO RAN: 9-4 Gretel (6th), 5 Fernanda, 25 Rich in Love (6th), 33 Impetuous Air (4th), 7 ran, 25: 6, 1), Ind, 71. M Prescrit at Newmarket, Tota: £12.70, £2.30, £1.70 DF, £11.00 CSF-£17.07. 235,34.
7.15 (1m 6f) 1, Ballynpkelly (S Sanders, 5-4 fav, Thunderer's nap), 2, Tudor Island (8-1);

21707.
4.00 (1m 6) 1, PINE NEEDLE (8 Thomson, 4-1), 2, Diego (8 Doyle, 12-1); 3, Villege King (1 Red.) 94 lay), ALSO RAN: 7-2 STAGE (2a) (4th), 4 NS412 Star (5th), 7 Allantic Met (6th) 6 ran, 1 kl, 2 4, 100, 91, 16. D. Morley at Newmanker Toner 53.10; 52.90, 53.10. DF: 615.90, CSF-528 69. E3.10. DF: CTLSID CSP\* E38 99.
4.35 (SI 6yd) 1, CLAN CHIEF IT Outhin, 2-1 lav, 2. Mindrace (B Doyle, 7-2), 3, Pharnoh's Joy (D Winght, 6-1), ALSO RAN 7-2 Mage Mari (Bit), 7 Dande Flyer (High, 10 Stoney End, 16 Mipss (Sith) 7 ran 2 v.l, sh hd, 3, 13t, W J Arnold at Upper Lambourn Tota 22.50; C2.30 OF E3.80 CSF; 29.67.

23 80 CSF: 29 57.
5.10 (Im 21 7yd) 1, GUESSTMATION (R
Friench, 74 lay); 2, Windyedge (G Brace,
7-1); 3, Red Tie Affair (R Mullen, 20-1)
ALSO RAN, 11-4 Almuhlaram (4th), 7
Mastor M-E-N, Zahram (6th), 10 Should-begray (5th) 17 cm 31, 21, ris, nit, 191, J
Pearce at Novemarkot, Toto 52 50, 51, 20,
53 40, DF: 511.20, CSF 513 45

\$13 60 CSF, £32.34,
2.35 (1m 31 198yd) 1, TOUT DE VAL (N Adams, 14-1), 2, Courberli (W Woods, 6-1); 3, Nesseer (N Carlisle, 8-1), ALSO RAN; 2-1 law Lincia's Joy trefused to racel, 8-2 Moving Lip (ett.), 5 Colour Courselfor (5th.), 25 Boston Tea Parry, 33 Mrs Keen (5th.), Taylors Rowal, 9 ran, 2, 3, 2, 8, 3 k Bushop at Bridgwater, Toter \$14.80, \$23.10, \$2.00, \$2.00 DF £60.50 Timer, \$617, 42.

23.10. 22.00. 22.00 DF 260.50 Trior 2137.10 CSF. 283.08 Tricast 2617.40 3.10 (Im #2.00yd) 1. GENERAL GLOW (J. F Egan, 15-21; 2. Khaber (H. Bestiman, 92): 3. Pride Of Kushmir (F. Norton, 5-1). ALSO FAN. 4-1 key He's Gol Wings (Bin), 11-2 On The Wikisida, 6 Creeting (4th), 12 Efficacious (6th), 25 Sheilena, 33 Followthe Alsters. 40 Polish Lady. 10 ran 151, 21, 151, and. 24; P. Evans at Weishpool. Tote. 29.70; 21.70, 12.00, 22.40. UF: 21.80. Trio. E60.50. CSF: £37.42. Tricast. 2168.12.

\$168.12.
3.45 (7) 214yd) 1, FARMOST (W Woods, 7-4 fay, Thunderer's nap); 2, Passage Creeping (O Urbina, 6-1); 3, Law Dencer (Paul Eddery, 14-1), ALSO FAN: 9-2 Potsesshe Artisat (4th), 7 Dungson Princess, 8 Paint is Stack (5th), 14 Ls Modista (6th), Time For Tea, 8 ran, 14, 31, 2, 1-1, 124, M Prescott at Newmarket, Tote; 22.60; C1-40, C1.60, C2-70, DF: E10.60, CSF: £11.76. Infeast: £98.27.
4.20 (62 203vd) 1, BLOCKADE (M Fenton).

CSF: ET1.76. Incast: E9827.
4.20 (6: 209yd) 1, BLOCKADE (M Fenton, 6-1); 2. Uncle George (F Robinson, 8-1); 3. Balanca of Power (5: Sanders, 20-1). ALSO RAN, 13-6 is M. Pearl Dawn (6thl, 100-30-Jo Maximus, 10 Indiaguara (8th), 1-6 Best Kept Secret, 25 Brass Tacks (4th), Venus Victorious, 33 Burni Sierne, 40 Little Wobbly, Princesse Lyphard, 12 ram Mk, 114, 124, 345, 345, 116, 02, 02, 00, £4.10. DF: 25.30. Tno: £99.90. CSF-£56.49.
4.55 (5: 213yd) 1, CRYSTAL HEIGHTS (D

Placepot: £57.90. Quadpot: £49.80. Brighton OTIGITUDI Going: tim
2.00 (ct 209yd) 1, NORTHERN SUN (W
Woods, 16-1); 2, Sharp Hat (W J
O'Connor, Evers tay); 3, Auragam (M
Fenton, 5-1), ALSO RAN: 5 Triple Term
(4th), 13-2 Regal Equity (6th), 8 Ball-Pet
(5th) 6 ran 41, IA, 34), S, BL T Malls at
Epsom Tote: £17.90; £8.40, £1.00, DF
£13.60 CSF. £22.34.

Golf: Des Smyth, of Ireland, conquered unseasonal cold and cloudy weather to establish a first-round lead in the Dutch Open at Hilversum yesterday. Smyth, who uses a broomhandle putter, shot a seven-under-par round of 64 that included seven birdies. He has a one-stroke lead over his countryman, David Feherty, also using a broomhandled putter, and Jean Van de Velde, of France.

Record for Gent

Shooting: Flight Lieutenant Andy Gent, a Royal Air Force pilot, won the Grand Aggregate Gold Cross, the overall championship of the Bisley imperial rifle meeting, with a record 597 points out of 605 in the ten leading events of the meet. He beat Flight Lieuten-ant Stuart Williamson into second place by three points.

## Hamed returns

Boxing: Naseem Harned will make the third defence of his World Boxing Organisation featherweight championship against Manuel Medina, of Mexico, in Dublin next month. Medina, 29, has boxed 59 times since turning profes-25:30. Troc: D99 90, CSF- 550.49.
4.55 (5) 213yd) 1, CRYSTAL HEIGHTS (D Hamson, 8-2), 2, Mellors (S Sanders, 14-1); 3, Pride O'r Hayfing (N Varley; 3-1) ALSO RAN 11-4 few heidler (44h), 6 Merino Stroet (6th), Royel Carlon, 8 Fart Knox (5th), 66 Little Gent, 8 man Nk, 41, 2, 14, 3, 14, 3, 14, 18 C Saftivan at. Whitcombo, Tota. sional. During that time, he has lost just seven bouts and held the International Boxing Federation and World Boxing Council versions of the title.

25 70: \$2.10, £3.20. \$1.20 DF: \$53.20 CSF: \$54.67. Jackpot: not won (pool of £7,578.11 carried lorward to Ascot today). carried forward to Ascot today). Placepot: £1,098.10. Quadpot: £31,10.

late details

Sandown Park Golng: good to firm, firm in places 8.15 (1m 14yd) 1, Thatchmaster (Paul Eddery, 6-1): 2 Super Hero (14-1): 3, Tomal (9-1): 4, Little Kenny (12-1) Acquital 11-2 fav 18 ran, 134] 54 CHongan, Totar 55-50; 51-40, 55.10, 522.0 51 90 De-555.40 Troc 5148 90, CSP: 580.55 Tricest, 5996.72.

A 46 (7) 18ydl 1, Tarski (Pat Eddery, 7-2, Newmarkst Correspondent's negli: 2. Newmarkst Correspondent's negli: 2. Shoumatera (10-1): 3, Party Romence (9-2). Royal Amaretto 8-4 fav. 10 ran, NR: Bubbly 13, 8h hd M Cecil Tole: £3,70; £1 80; £2 00, £1 70 DF. £12,70 Trio: £22,00. CSF: £35,54.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3,25 Halebid.

2.25 GLADIATEUR HANDICAP

1 4453 SOLD SYMPRONY 14 P Chapple-Hyam 9-7 .... R Havilin (5) 4
2 50-3 REAL GEM 20 P Makin 9-4 .... K Darley 7
3 0450 MARNORIN ROSE 5 A Barley 9-2 .... D Wright (5) 1
4 6915 MAPER STAR 11 (2) DB (3) Mr. N Maczaley 9-2 C Teagles (3) 2
5 0000 KUSTOM KIT 15 (DF) 8 McMahan 9-1 ... N Variey (3) 6
6 (110 PENNY PRICES 8 (3) C.5) J Berry 8-13 ... G Carler 5
7 0004 BOUTON DYOR 20 P Provileg 8-8 ... F Moton 3
8 0-00 MARASCHINO 30 8 Mestion 8-1 ... J F Egan 8

8-4 Heal Gen. 7-2 Solo Symphony, 6-1 Napier Star. Penny Partes, 7-1 Marjene Rose 8-1 Bouton D'Or, 10-1 others

2.55 CARLING BLACK LABEL WELCOME HOME CLAIMING STAKES (£2,381: 1m 100yd) (13)

4 6602 MUSTN'T GRUNGLE 15 (F,G) Miss S Witten 6-9-?

COLERROOK LEADER J Booky 4-9-12 C Ruder 12
2 8312 ETHBART 15 (CD,8FF,G) W Mair 5-9-12 M Richards 13
3 SOS4 WHAT A NIGHTMARE 15 (V.CD,F,G) P Howing 4-9-4

5 OSS2 MORTHERN CELADON 20 (V.CD.6,5) M Heaton-Elis 5-9-2 S Drowne (3) 6 1 MERANI 15 (C.6) D Murray Smith 3-8-12 . . . . K Darley 10

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3.25 MILLENNIUM & COPTHORNE HOTELS

HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £4,378: 1m 1f 79yd) (13)

(3-Y-0: £2,381: 5f) (8 runners)

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

7.45 (7) 19(q) 1, Catch The Lights (Dane O'Neil, 9-4 fav); 2, Nunsharpa (3-1); 3, Kinga Harmony (11-4), 6 ran, Ni, 214, R Harmon Tote: £3.30; £1.70, £2.20 DF £6.50, CSF-£9.27 38.50. CSF: 29.27 8.15 (1m 27 vgd 1, Evidence in Chief (Dane O'Neil, 4-1); 2, Donnettes (10-1); 3, Oberons Boy (8-1), Lear Jet 10-11 fav 7 ran 1 vl., sh nd 0 Esworth Tote: 52.0; £2.60, £5.40. DF: £37.90 CSF £36.93 DF: E37.90 CSF E36.93 8.45 (5f 6yd) 1, Squire Corrie (Gaye Hannood, 12-1): 2 Frendly Blave (15-2), 3, Judaz (11-2). Goire Savage (11-4 lav.) 11 ran. Nk, hd. G Hannood Tole: £16.60; 23 10, £2.00, £1.90. DF: £138.30. Trio, £344.80. CSF: £00.72. Tricast: £509.41 After a stawards inquiry, result stood

Jackpot: not won Placepot £237-30. Quadpot: £50.50. Leicester Going: good, good to solt in places 8.30 (5i Zyd) 1, Osomental (A Mackay, 4-1 lav); 2, 1 Can't Remember (5-1); 3, Threoplay (11-1), 10 ran. ½1, 21 D Haydn

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2.700 (Im Byd) 1, Colintosser (W Woods, 8-11 fav); 2, Night Of Glass (14-1); 3, Home Codkin' (6-1) 14 ran. 11, 51 S Woods Tote: 51.90; 51 10, 53.10, 62.00, DF: 516.70 Tno. 528 10 CSF: £14.14 zon 10 CSF: £14 14 7.30 (77 9yd) 1. Goodwood Lass (W Car-son, 100-30); 2. Blue Hopper (B-1), 3. Love Me Do (B-1). Select Star 5-2 lav 13 ran 2l, 14 J Dunlop. Tote: £3 60; £1 10, £2 30, £3 10 DF: £10 50. Tno: £19 70. CSF-£29.97.

8.00 (7) 9vd) 1, Angaar (M. Roberts, 2-1), 2, Durmner Golf Time (7-4 fay); 3, Misler Joel (8-1) 5 ran Sh hd. 21 A Stewart Tote. 22 30, £1.30, £1.40 DF £2 30 CSF £5 54 8.30 (1m 3! 183yd) 1, Beauchamp Jade (G Carter, 11-8 lav); 2, Desert Frotic (7-4), 3, in The Money (15-2), 4 ran NR Dear Life, 54, 11) H Candy Tote £1 90 DF, £1 60 CSF-23 87

9.00 ISI 2yd) 1. Marino Street (J Forune, 2-1 fav); 2, Failed To Hill (6-1); 3, Chansse Dancer (4-1) 8 ran 3 H. H. P Evans Tote 22 60, C1 10, 52 00, E1.90 DF: 64 20 CSF 613 94

4.00 JENNIFER SMART ANNIVERSARY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0 E4,192: 61) (13) WOLVERHAMPTON 2.25 Real Gem. 2.55 Ethbaat. 3.25 Halebid. 4.00 Biscay. 4.30 Heavenly Miss. 5.00 Old School House.

1 0-00 BBLOW THE RED LME 59 (V) fars N Macadey 9-0 C Teaque (3) 2
2 4243 DOMAN AMAAM 16 (BP) J Cosden 9-0 G Hard 9
3 3 PEARL D'AZUR 41 (BF) D Loder 9-0 D R McCabe 4
5 SEROUS SENSATION 18 M PRESENT 9-0 W Woods 6
5 0 STACKATTACK 18 P Webbes 9-0 W J O'Connor 7
6 30 WRLLE MRES 22 J Wars 9-0 N Comportent 11
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4.30 GERTRUDE RADCLIFFE FILLIES SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,146: 6f) (8)

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1 0012 ADVANCE REPRO 15 (B.F.) J. Alectural 9-0
2 3332 ABSTONE OUTER 2 P Econs 8-8
3 0043 DANCING STAR 15 (M) P Fours 8-8.
4 025 REAVENLY MISS 14 8 Politing 8-8
0 LOCHLORE 8 Miss K Whathouse 8-8.
5 420 SHANDAM 3 19 P Hostow 8-9.
5 MAPLY BLESSED J. Newtie 8-8
8 4 SIGPPY WAS A KWY 35 A Laves 8-8. 3-1 Advance Repro, 7-2 Heavenly Miss. 9-2 Shandana, 5-1 Abstone Queen, 6-1 Dancing Star. Shippy Was A Kee, 8-1 other;

5.00 PERSIMMON AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP (£2,070. 2m 46yd) (10) 1 5610 KOTA 73 (CD.F.G.S) J.L. Harry, 7-11-7 No. G. Woodward (7) 2 9003 STEWE'S WOMDER 6 (C.G.S) 8 Lowellyn 6-11-7

3 -065 BROOM ISLE 4 (C.F.G.) D Burchell 8-11-4 Miss E Jourse (4) 6
4 4-60 CHRIS'S LAD 38 (D.F.S) E Merkan 5-11-4 Miss E JAllson 5
5 2032 HEIGHTH OF FAME 15 (G) A J Wison 5-11-2 . J Culton 1
6 2015 GHEK MISHT OUT 39 (F.G.) (D) J Eyra 5-10-11

7 2332 MRLNGAVIE 29J (CD,BF,F,G,S) B Smart 6-10-3 8 .700/ 900GE BOPPER 84J B Pearce 7-9-13 Mr.J Schleiber (7) 4 9 3122 OLD SCHDOL, HOUSE 34 (C,G) T Naughlon 3-9-01 Mrs J Naughloo (4) 7 10 0-00 WRITTEN AGREEMENT 17 (8) R Peacock 8-9-8 Mrs. C Peacock (7) 10 S-2 Old School House, 4-1 lots, 9-2 Greek Night Out, 5-1 Heighth Of Fame, 6-1 Serve's Wonder 8-1 Mangazie 10-1 Chris's Lad, 12-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSPRS: A Stewart, 3 tenturer; from 6 numers; 50 0%, J Gosden, 7 from 17, 41.2%, R Chailton, 10 from 25, 48,0%, J Dunlop, 7 from 24, 29.2%; R Goest, 8 from 29, 27 6%; M Johnston, 39 from 156, 25 0%, Mrs. M Revetley, 11 from 48, 22.9% JCGCRYS W Woods, 17 winners from 74 rates, 23.0%, k Dartey, 23 from 183, 22.3%, G Carlor, 40 from 207, 19.3%, F Lynch, 14 from 94, 14.9%, 7 Sprake, 11 from 83, 12.3%, D Wright, 23 from 192, 12.0%, S Winhorth, 12 from 111, 10.0%

☐ Bin Rosie registered a comfortable successs in the listed Prix Jacques de Bremont at Maisons-Laffitte yesterday. The David Loder trained gelding was in control throughout under Richard Hughes and came home by 2'2

3-1 Surge: Wells, 5-1 Hateloid, 6-1 Desdine Tone, John-T, 10-1 China Casile, Philitian, 12-1 others. BLINKERIED FIRST TIME: Thirsk: 440 Mill End Lady. Wolverhempton; 400 Mrs McBadger. 5.00 Written lengths from La Fra Angelico. And Company of the Co

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RACING

# Injury rules Roberts out of Goodwood

By Julian Muscat

IT HAS been an unhappy 24 hours for Michael Roberts. The jockey learnt on Wednesday that he would not, after all, ride Pentire in the King George VI and Queen Eliza-beth Diamond Stakes at Ascot tomorrow. But worse was to follow when Roberts fractured his left wrist in a fall at Sandown yesterday.

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The South African, expected to be out for three weeks, was unseated from Honeyshan as he pulled up the filly after the Heathrow Maiden Stakes. The timing of the injury is cruel. It came just as Roberts was re-establishing himself after a late start to the British season. He is to miss Glorious Goodwood but hopes to return

for the Ebor meeting at York. The King George field was further depleted yesterday when Singspiel was ruled out of the contest with an abscess in his near foreleg. Anthony Stroud, racing manager to the colt's owner, Sheikh Mohammed, said the colt is expected to be back in tack next week. But the sheikh may yet be represented tomorrow by Swain, whose participation has been jeopardised by the

prevailing fast ground.
On leaving Sandown,
Stroud headed straight for Ascot to assess the state of the track. "Swain worked very well earlier in the week and we are keen to run." Stroud said. However, after walking the course, Stroud declined to announce a decision until he had contacted the colt's trainer, André Fabre.

In an age when just about hyped beyond reason, a strange silence greeted Red Camellia after the filly had impressively lowered the track record in the Milcars Star Stakes at Sandown yesterday.

Red Camellia would have had bookmakers reaching frantically for their mobile telephones had she hailed from one of the big Newmar-ket stables. Although the graduate from Sir Mark Prescott's yard failed to earn a 1,000 Guineas quote, she may well force herself into the public eye in the Candelabra Stakes

at Goodwood next month. Opposed by six fillies, all previous winners, Red Camel-lia assumed command from the outset and never looked vulnerable to the challenge of Yashmak, the hot favourite. Further improvement should be forthcoming, and her paddock appearance suggested she has yet to fill her frame.

Prescott has demonstrated that he can mix it with the best of them. He produced Pivotal after a lengthy absence to win the King's Stand Stakes, and he almost conjured a stunning upset when Last Second harried Shake The Yoke home in the Coronation Stakes.

Doubtless the muted reception for Red Camellia had much to do with the trainer's well-documented inclination towards pessimism. "Mine would have been beaten if there was a group one filly in the race," he said.

Cheveley Park Stud, which owns Red Camellia, will not be impatient to find out. The Newmarket-based nursery also campaigns Dazzle, who every two-year-old winner is dominates the betting for next season's 1,000 Guineas.

(2-Y-0: £4,503: 7f) (6)



# Tedburrow can overcome penalty

2.15: The betting may offer the best guide. Mystique, Sleepless and Summerosa hold entries in the Cheveley Park Stakes and/or Lowther Stakes, but may be denied by Mayfair, a sister to the smart Magic Ring. Paul Cole's juve-niles have been in good form all season, and the Whatcombe trainer has a fine first time out strike-rate. The

2.45: Argyle Cavalier has not raced for 402 days but Pat Eddery is an interesting booking for the six-year-old, who is well handicapped on his best form. Hattaafeh.

## THUNDERER 3.50 FIRBUR (nac) 5.00 Triole Leas GOING: GOOD TO FIRM TOTE JACKPOT MEETING DRAW: 5F-7F, LOW NUMBERS BEST 2.15 FOOD BROKERS MAIDEN STAKES BBC2 MAYFAR (HER Printe Faid Salmen) P Cole B-MY HERO & Brum and P Proper Parinessky. MYSTICLE (Hestinoids Study P Walvyn 8-11 SLEEPLESS (Mrs A Sother) M Galam 8-11... SUMMEROSA (R Sangalar) P Chappie-Hyurn B-1995; BONT SHADAYID 8-11 W Casson 17-3 lev) J. Donlop 4 ran FORM FOCUS ... DANCING CRUEEN (fooled Apr 21, cost 130,000pss). By Satien's Wells, hell-state to the higher than without SLEEPLESS (Apr. dam of Crueshan Colon winner, dam 71 paramile winner and Crueshan Colon winner, dam 72 paramile winner MAYFARI (plur 2), by Crue Desart, sater to high-class paramin prints hangis Rang, dam 77 javenise winner. MY HEPIO (Aur 15, 18,000pss), by Bluebird, teaf-sater to hand winner Roccott, dam provide and provide Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinss, dam jeresite Zand and Rocco of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan of Dr. Davinski Paramin Lagal Rock of Javenish Colon (Aur 20). By Myddistan ( Quinn guides Red Camellia to an emphatic victory in the Milcars Star Stakes at Sandown yesterday 2.45 P & O EUROPEAN FERRIES BROWN JACK HAMDICAP (£11,235; 2m 45yd) (20 runners) ASCOT 3.15: Sylva Paradise has only 3.50: Doubts about several of a 31b penalty for his easy 3½ length success at Yarmouth the runners make this tricky for punters. Richard Quinn is BBC2 on Tuesday and Clive reunited with Crazy Chief, Brittsin's Stewards Cup who is arguably the best handicapped, but on breedhope is sure to give a good account. Despite stepping back a furlong, he showed his ing is not certain to see out the extra quarter-mile. effectiveness at the minimum Frezeliere did well to finish trip behind Midnight Escape third behind Freedom Flame here last month. at Newmarket after a nine-TODAY'S RACES However, preference is for week lay-off and may im-ON TELEVISION Tedburrow, who won a prove, but has not always stronger race at Newmarket looked the easiest of rides. Le State Theatre and The Lad last Saturday and has only a Teteu improved when winap: Stateant 7-7, Gentlemen Sid 7-3. should improve over this trip. Green Desert filly's home-3lb penalty. The useful David Griffiths is value for his 5lb ning at Haydock last time, but that was over a mile on BETTRACE 9-2 Bolher, 7-1 Francia by, Blanty Park, 10-1 Tugunev, Greet Ondino, 12-1 Suranota Storm, 1 Answ., 14-1 Jesseyn Steed, 16-1 Scopera, The Lad, Requested, 18-1 others 1995: HIGHELYING 9-8-11 J Tale (11-2 bar) 6 Moore 12 sec work suggests she should be along with Etterby Park, involved in the finish. who makes a quick reappearclaim. Double Quick has yet easier ground. In the circumance after running High-flying to a head at Ripon on to reproduce last season's stances, the lightly raced FORM FOCUS form, on which she is poten-Oops Pettie is the choice. She TOY PRINCESS 161 2nd of 11 to Bathyrolacity in transfers or Docester (1 in 81 132nd, good). TUR-SERVEY, but the state of 7 to Weeth 1681 in bandleap at Haydock (1 in 81, good). BOLIVAR heat RECURSTED (7 in better oilt) 3141 in 12-runner handleap over course and distance (good to Simily with PRISHCH MY (3th hatter oilt) 1/41 3rd and SEMILLEAN SD (1250 better oilt) 1/41 3rd and SEMILLEAN SD (1250 better oilt) 1/41 171 IRRENCH MY band Haufbank 31 in 7-runner handleap at 8 Benediev (2 in, nood to Dran) with SARASOTA best Tues Jay 2H in 13-runner tradicap at Ches-ier (2m, good to limit) with ALDE LA BELLE (7b bester ett) 9. 5th. THE LAD best Victoria's Socret 51 in 7-runner apprentice incluys' hundicap at Chepstow (1m 4f, good to limit). SARASOTA STURM best Sharp Sanatain 2H in 10-runner tradicap at Sharp Sanatain 2H in 10-runner tradicap at Mussel-burgh (1m 7f, good to Jimi). ETTERBY PARK beed 2nd of 8 to Highdhyfry in handicap at Ripon (1m 4f SOyd, good to limit). Selection: BOLMAR Saturday. That was over 12 tially well treated. Bolshoi, is open to further improvefurlongs and Mark Johnwho did not enjoy the run of ment after a comfortable ston's progressive three-yearthe race behind Tedburrow success at Chepstow. old should be even better over last time, looks a bigger RICHARD EVANS this stiff two miles. at Beverley (2m, good to Dora) with SARASOTA. STORM (48) belter oil) 74! 68), GREAT CRATION 3.40 DUNNINGTON CONDITIONS STAKES 3.15 JACKMAN'S GARDEN CENTRE RATED HANDICAP . BEIGZ THUNDERER (£15,550; 5f) (9 runners) UBON TUMEN 2/ (7) N PTENSON OF 13 BI JAB 97 D NESSONS 6-11 HEN HARRIER 22 (0.07) J Dunlop 8-10 J Wesson 4 HOSERECK HOUSE J Berry 8-6 HOSTALEEC AR 17 (8F.F) E Wagnes 8-8 O Haptison 1 AVRIALARF 29 (0.F) W 6 M Yerner 8-6. D McKanna 2 6.30 Arcatura, 7.00 Bengles, 7.30 Compact Disc. 8.00 Milford Sound, 8.30 Needle Match, 9.00 6.15 My Emma, 6.45 Angus-G. 7.15 Teraab. 7.45 Castierea Lad. 8.15 Retoto, 8.45 Galine. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 6.15 MY EMMA (nap). GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (FIRM IN PLACES) DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS GOING: GOOD TO FIRM draw: No advantage **6.30** NOTTINGHAM FOREST EURO '96 SELLING STAKES (\$2,070: 1m 11 213yd) (11 numers) BETTINES 3-1 Sylva Paradise, 7-2 Technorous, 5-1 Double Culck, 6-1 So lesseyld, 13-2 Boiston, 7-1 Mart, 14-1 Desbing Block, Crollers Califoli, 16-1 Go Heyer Golf. Alex Greaves ! N Kacnedy P Roberts (5) 6.15 HUNDON MAIDEN STAKES 1 -042 ACFRON JACKSON 22 B McMath 49-6 G Berchwell 5 2 -056 ARCATURA 88 (BF) C James 49-6 M Wighten 4 3 FARFEN C Owyer 49-6 T 6 McLuschlo 1 4 DOOS KAMA SMEA 8 (BLF) J Write 49-6 S D Treene (3) 3 5 D130 OMDRETTS 16 (D.F.S) G L Moon 49-1 S Winhmout's 8 6 2834 SMAMA 23 (F.S) 6 Moon 49-1 D Hoband 6 7 -060 PAWING HAROLD 15 M Clearing 3-6-10 P P Multiply (5) 2 8 D000 BRIGHT PET 18 Mrs 5 South 3-8-5 P Boombield 9 9 O CAMERON EDGE 18 A Mainballand 3-8-5 S H Had 10 10 405 LEBEDRISK 18 Mrs P Sh 3-8-5 A Cathone 11 11 3500 YUPPY GRR, 17 Capl J Wilson 3-8-5 M Henry (3) 7 1 Charlotte 5 Lebester 5 L Moon 6 S Johnston 6 B Toron 1995: NAME THE TUBE 4-8-9 Paci Eddary (6-1) P Howing 8 ran (3-Y-0: £4,386: 1m 4f) (7 numers) FORM FOCUS CONSO MAN M Soute 9-0. SEGNEER FOX 44 (95) H Cord 9-0. KALA MORE 6 Newword 9-0. 26 TAHARDA 11 J Gosten 9-0. D. FLAMANDA 11 J Gosten 9-0. P. MY SIMBA 20 R SOUZ L Currant 9-9. SEGNEER 20 R SOURCE 9-9. GUANELIA 25 Lord Harbingdon 9-9. T Dulen W Ryan 78 A Glark A MicGione 74 R Presch (7) X Darley DASHBIG BLIE 5MJ 3rd of 5 to Fartuna in Stated francisco at Hardcock (88, good to soid). TEDBURROW hast Lago Di Vasmo 3M in 14-runner tondicap at Beweley (58, good to firm). SO MTREPD best Sea-Derr rack to 11-runner bardicap at Newmerter (51, good to firm) with BOLSFADI (11b better of) 2M 7th MARR 3MJ 8th of 12 to 10 the Roof in blasted handlarp at Epsom (51, good to soid) with DOUSELE QUACK (16 better 4-5 My System, 4-1 Slager Fox, 8-1 Cango Man, Tatarapa, 10-1 Flarmands, 12-1 Catretic, 25-1 Kale Moin. 1-2 Owthelts, 9-2 Action, Judeon, 5-1 Arcaines, 6-1 Labedieski, 8-1 Karne Sente, Strand, 10-1 Plying Harold, 12-1 others. **5.45** NGK SPARK PLUGS HANDICAP 7.00 NOTTINGHAM FOREST SHAREHOLDERS LIMITED STAKES (£2,381: 51 13yd) (9) (£4,581: 1m 2f) (8) Nap: TEDBURROW (3.15 Ascot) C Wabb (7) 4 L Chamock 16 Next best: Etterby Park (2.45 Ascot) 3.50 HEATHORNS BOOKMAKERS HANDICAP (3-Y-0; £8,559: 1m 2f) (10 runners) 7-4 Agust-6, 7-2 Felix, 4-1 Formidable Partner, 7-1 Advance East, 10-1 Once More For Lock, 12-1 others. 7.15 SHOWDENS MARQUEES MAIDEN STAKES 24,464: 61) (/) 0 LUDO 7 R Hatmon 9-0 R Hagnes 0 MOTICOMES CLUB 9 N Cataghas 9-0 P Robinson TERAME J Scottes 9-0 A-9-mit 0 ULTRA BOY 27 P Hasters 9-0 J Fortings HRASAH R American 8-9 W Casson HRASAH R American 8-9 PM Editory 1995; RIVER KEEN 5-6 W Carson (14-1) R Ametrong 11 mm 8-4 Library, 3-1 Testath, 4-1 Hipsanh, 8-1 Spaniera's Mount, 10-1 Lodo, Moteomina Chib, 29-1 Ulica Boy. FORM FOCUS PREZELENE 31 3nd of 13 to Frandom Fisere in handicap at Newsmarket (fin 2), good) with DALINT-1816 DESTRIPT (46 to befor off) 21 12th. ECALINT (170 to best 2nd of 17 to Pressare Surprise in handicap at hisychock (fin 21 120)nd, good to soff) with KALA SUMPRISE (5th better off) 301 8fh. CRAZY CHEEF 2KI 4th of 5 to Select Few in miliog related stakes at Windsor (fin 67yd, good to firm), OOPS PETTE 7.45 BAILEYS IRISH CREAM LIQUEUR HANDICAP (27,440: 61) (9) HAMUNCAP (27,440: 61) (9) 1 (2) 0056 SILENT EXPRESSION 7 (C.D.F.S) & Mindom 6-8-10 B Doylo. 2 (6) 0-10 MY CADEMAX W (C.D.F.S) & Mindom 6-8-10 B Doylo. 3 (6) 0000 CASTLEPEA LAD 25 (C.D.F.S) & Pollon 3-9-3 Figural (2). 4 (7) 0052 MR BERSERAC 7 (D.F.S.S) & Pollon 3-9-3 Figural (2). 5 (1) 3656 FAME AGAIN 25 (BF.S.S) (K.S.) & Pollon 3-9-3 J. Torolon 6 (4) 12 - TRAPIA-BAR LADY 250 (D.S) (R Carlon 3-4-13 L. Kornon 7-15). 6 (5) 153 CM BOM BOM 7 (V.D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 8 (9) 164 - JERNY CUTRON 15 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 9 (8) 653 PASSEDY (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 9 (8) 653 PASSEDY (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 9 (8) (653 PASSEDY (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 10 (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 11 (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 12 (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 13 (10 (D.F.S) M (6-4 4-5 11. 6 Familion 7) 4.25 DELOITTE & TOUCHE EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £6,808: 7f) (5 runners) CRICKET SETTING: 2-1 Mante, 3-1 Masheer, 4-1 Silver Wildow, 5-1 Horston Computed, Some Partidige. 8.15 HARGRAVE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £4,854: 71) (12) T995; JARAH 9-0 W Carson (8-1) B Hambury & raw FORM FOCUS BACRIZA (fisited Apr 12), By Woodman, half-brother to usely the series of the series o RACING 5.00 P & O CRUISES MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £7,003: 1m 2i) (9 runners)

THUNDERER 2.05 Show Off. 2.35 Ned's Bonan 3.40 Hen Hamer. 4.10 Intidab. 4.4 Thatched. The Times Private Handicapper's to 2.35 CHEEKY CHAPPY. DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST 2.05 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,363: 6f) (6 runners) 6-4 Process Topez, 9-4 Show CTL 4-1 Navesha, 6-1 Sherzello, 20-1 Sarksano 2.35 transpennine express ha (£3,782: 6f) (11) 3-1 Cheeky Chappy, 4-1 Beagne, 8-1 Titer, Dominaba, 7-Lucky Resenge, 10-1 Comec Fantasy, 12-1 others. 3.05 ROYAL ARTILLERY HERITAGE (£3,678: 1m 4f) (4) 1 2403 FELD OF VISION 8 (F.G.S) Mrs A Softman 2 1111 FROG 7 (F. M Prescui 3-9-2 (Seo) ...... 3 3540 REPHARDT 7 J Webneydd 3-8-13 ..... 4 5214 ALWARDA 31 (F) D Nichols 3-8-4 ..... 4-7 Frog., 7-2 Field Of Vision, 9-2 Alexanya, 12-1 Reinhard.

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# Lord's rises to acclaim Inzamam

Simon Wilde watches a batsman

blossom at the Mecca of cricket

INZAMAM-UL-HAQ is not the first overseas cricketer to come to Lord's and do justice to his talent, and he will not be the last. That every visiting team dreams of performing well there does not make life easy for England, whose players are obliged to play on the hallowed turf when the house is less than full and the atmosphere eerily subdued. Inzamam came to cricket's Mecca to score a hundred and Having come in with Pakithat is precisely what he did, stan in trouble at 12 for two. shortly after 4pm. He showed

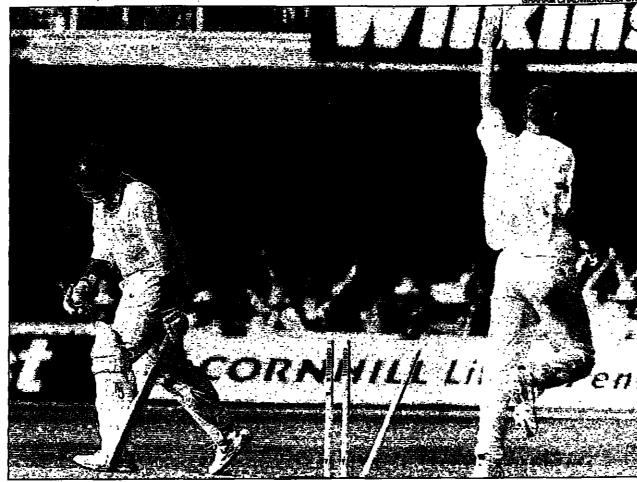
his pride by punching the air and then, with the gentlest of touches, kissing his bat. As a celebration, it echoed Michael Slater pressing his lips to his Australia badge three years ago and revealed the more sensitive side of a man who moments earlier had lifted his score from 94 to 100 by clubbing Hick for six

over long-on. "I was glad a spinner was settle quickly to Test cricket. In on," Inzamam said later, his first series, in England a few months later, he averaged because I had thought about getting to my hundred with a 13. with his least productive six. Fortunately, it was a good ball to hit. It's an honour to make a century at Lord's."

Inzamam capped his performance by going on to 148, the highest of his five Test centuries, before driving loosely at Mulially and dragging the ball into his stumps as he approached a fourth hour at the crease. He had played strokes all round the wicket and walked off to as wholehearted a standing ovation as anyone can have received from a Lord's crowd in recent

Inzamam's performance was a thoroughly mature one and highlighted how far he has travelled since he burst onto the international stage during the World Cup in 1992. There. he pulled his side out of the fire in their semi-final against New Zealand with an extraordinary display of hitting. Great things were then pre-dicted for him but he did not

match at Lord's. He took his first Test century off West Indies in Antigua



Inzamam trudges off after his inspired innings of 148 was ended by him playing on to Mullally yesterday

the year after and, by gradually tightening up his technique, has since established himself as one of the most consistent batsman in the world. His innings yesterday raised his average to almost 50, a mark that is the preserve of the

Hanif Mohammad, who scored an unbeaten 187 for Pakistan at Lord's 29 years

ago, puts Inzamam's latest development down to improved fitness. "He has lost a lot of weight since the World Cup earlier this year and has greater mobility than he used to." Hanif said yesterday.

"He is moving around the crease better and runs between the wickets more quickthan he used to, even though he still experiences

trouble with his left knee. He possesses a special talent." England clearly had a plan to curb Inzamam's penchant for driving. Atherton greeted him with close catchers on both sides of the wicket, but it did not work. Inzamam bided his time, worked the ball into the gaps and by the time he resumed occupation after

back. He has also enhanced his range of strokes. Once predominantly an on-side player, he now exhibits some glorious cover drives. However much Inzamam trains, though, he will never be anything other than a heavyweight. But even if he is unable to float like a butterfly, he can certainly sting like a

## High risk policy earns rich reward for Byas

By PAT GIBSON

SCARBOROUGH (second day of fourt: Somerset, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, are 86 runs ahead of

DAVID BYAS has got what he wanted. The Yorkshire captain said he was looking for a scrap on as sporting a pitch as North Marine Road has seen for years and Somer-set are giving him one in what is turning out to be a real test of his side's championship credentials.

It is just as well that Byas has such an appetite for the fight. Having put Somerset in and seen them score 309, he found himself holding the Yorkshire batting together for more than four hours before a late flourish from Gough kept their first-innings deficit to a mere 17 runs.

Byas could have no com-

plaints. He had decreed that the benign pitches that have produced so many high-scoring draws on his home ground over the years were no good to Yorkshire in their present position, so he had to take the responsibility when

things began to go wrong. He could hardly have done it better. Yorkshire lost half their side for 144, but Byas stood tall and strong for 60 overs. He was badly dropped by the wicketkeeper off Batty on 29 and drove the same bowler just short of extra cover on 59, but he had done a tremendous job when he went too far across his stumps trying to glance Caddick and

was bowled for SS. Byas had struck sixteen fours with an authority that self going in so high up the none of the other Yorkshire batsmen could match. Vaughan was caught at the wicket in Rose's first over. Moxon trod on his stumps taking evasive action against Shine. Bevan and McGrath fell to successive balls from Batty, the former Yorkshire off spinner, and White and Blakey were always living

It was left to Gough to show what could be achieved with a typically flamboyant 51 off 56 balls, including a six and hi lours. When he look two of the three Somerset wickets that fell in the final 25 overs. Byas was scenting a rich reward for risking defeat in trying to win.

# Combative Tall outshines Hooper's elegance

News 5

By RUPERT COX

DERBY (first day of four; Kent won toss): Kent have scored 381 for five wickets against Derbyshire

IN LAST summer's corresponding fixture, at Maidstone, a high-scoring draw on a bland surface was symptomatic of Derbyshire and Kent's championship campaign. With both teams challenging for the title this season, this encounter took on added significance. Three centuries from Hooper, Fleming and Llong - allayed Kent's early distress, as they recovered from 14 for two, to a reassuring 381 for five.

Only nine players who fea-tured at Maidstone are playing here. One who did not. Carl Hooper, moved serenely to a century, although the extravagances that have blighted his Test career occasionally manifested themselves.

Devon Malcolm, playing his first championship match for a month, extracted early movement and bounce to remove Fulton in the first over and then deceived Ward with a fine delivery that seamed away. However, with Ed Smith, 19, in the team at the expense of Graham Cowdrey, returning from Cambridge University to make his championship debut. Kent consolidated. Smith demonstrated a well-organised technique, sur-

viving until just before lunch. Well though Hooper played. the day was illuminated by Matthew Fleming's fine 116. equalling his career-best against the West Indians in 1991. Entering the fray at 186 for four, he immediately hit Andrew Harris crisply through extra cover, and it set the tone. He added 191 with Nigel Llong in only 41 overs, until he cut a long hop from Dean Jones straight to point. His innings spanned a mere 126 balls and contained 21 typically-robust fours.

At 26, Llong survived a simple chance to mid-on from Matthew Vandrau, the off spinner, as Malcolm, failing to pick the ball up in the background of the scoreboard. juandered the opportunity From that moment, Llong regained his timing and grew in stature to reach his hundred from 187 balls with a six and 14

## Windows rises to the occasion By JACK BAILEY

CHELTENHAM (first day of four: Gloucestershire won toss): Gloucestershire have scored 331 for three wickets against Warwickshire

AS NEAR a perfect day as you could wish for: the glorious setting of the College Ground. a pitch made for batting, once the first anxious moments had been survived, and innings from Matthew Windows who batted all day for his undefeated 162 - Tim Hancock and Monte Lynch to do justice to it all. A tireless, wickshire in the field added subtly to the joys of those in search of that elusive item - a proper day's cricket.

guishing at the foot of the championship table, it was a good toss to win and an encouraging day all round. Windows made the first championship century of his career and looked good for many more.

Yesterday, he came close to disaster early on without giving a chance. Otherwise, his was a masterly display: 11 fours in his first 50 testified to the power of his strokes as well as to the speed of the outfield. There were 19 fours. chiefly to the off side, in his disciplined display by War-century, which came after nearly four hours. He was nearly run out on 85. In fact, Harold Bird gave him out, only to realise that Burns had For Gloucestershire, lan- not removed the bails.

The partnership of 148 in 42 overs between Windows and Hancock was the highest for Gloucestershire for any wicket this season. It marked the period when dominance over Warwickshire's attack was firmly established.

Then came Lynch. For reasons connected with discipline, he was playing in only his third championship match of the season. He is, in his own way, remarkably effective, difficult to bowl at, pugnacious and seizes initiatives. Like Trainor and Hancock before him, Lynch fell to the persistent Small, the only successful bowler of a sextet that never stopped trying, heavily though the dice were loaded against

# Hampshire come up short

lunch, the field had dropped

BY IVO TENNANT

SOUTHAMPTON (first day of four: Hampshire won toss): Hampshire have scored 332 for seven wickets against

VARIOUS Hampshire batsmen batted yesterday with an ease that suggested they should have made rather more runs than they did. Of their total of 332 for seven, there were four scores ranging from 49 to 61. Nobody came up with a lengthy innings, but then that has been the case for much of their season.

The pick of these innings was that played by Robin Smith. After two unintentional fours through the slips soon after he had come in he was soon crashing the ball around.

He is still quite capable of dominating a session or two, those Worcestershire bowlers who had the bad luck to bowl at him in the second round of the NatWest Trophy will testify. No other batsman batted with such gusto. That Hampshire did not

make a larger total on this pitch owed something to the perseverance of Surrey's attack. Martin Bicknell swiftly removed Laney and later had Stephenson caught behind and James leg-before just when they were looking to dominate. Hampshire's captain averages only 30 this season and is in need of a few more innings such as this. Stephenson's 61 included 11 fours: James, who until recent-

the square pleasantly enough, as did Terry. These were the innings good professionals aspire to play, but Smith's was of a higher order. His 54 came off 74 balls and included a six and seven fours. It was a surprise when he was out, taken at the wicket off one Hollioake moved away sufficiently to take the edge.

ly cannot have envisaged him-

order, worked the ball around

Surrey fielded with the same application as they bowled, running out Keech as he and Terry went for a rather cheeky fourth run, not overdoing the clamour in the field and looking what they are, a county challenging for the championship.

# YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Derbyshire v Kent DERBY (first day of four, Kent won toss): Kent have socied 381 for live wickets

KENT: First Innings KENT: First Innings
D P Fulton a Knicken b Melcolm 0
E T Smith c Astams b Wels 31
T R Ward c Knicken b Melcolm 9
C L Hooper c Wels b Harris 103
N J Llong not out 108
M V Rieming c Melcolm b Jones 116
M M Paiel not out 3
Extras (b 5, lb 4 nb 2) 111 N W Preston. "15 A Marsh, M J McCague and D W Heatley to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-14, 3-86, 4-185.

BOWLING Malcolm 26-1-91-2: Harris 16-2-69-1: Wells 17-3-47-1; DeFreitas 22-5-94-0, Vandrau 15-3-43-0; Barnett 7-0-22-0; Jones 1-0-6-1.

DERBYSHIRE: KJ Barnett, G A Khan, CJ Adams, \*D M Jones, TJ G O'Gorman, C M Wels. †K M Krikken, P A J DoFreitas, M J Vandrau, A J Harris, D E Malcolm Bonus points Derbyshire 2 Kent 4 Umpires M J Kitchen and J H Hampshire.

Durham v Essex HARTLEPCOL first day of four, Essex work loss? Durham, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 326 runs behind Essex.

ESSEX: First Innings ESSEA: First Reliegue
G A Gooch low b Killeen ...
D D J Robinson c Campbell b Cox
A P Grayson c Roseberry b Killeen
S G Law c Ligentwood b Wood ...
P J Pinchad C Hutton b Killeen \*P J Phothad C Hutton b Kalleen
R C Irani Biw b Wood
TR J Rollins b Wood
M C Bott c Wood b Killeen
N F Williams c Roseberry b Cox
P M Such not out
S J W Andrew c Campboll b Cox

BOWLING Wood 21-4-89-3: Saggers 12-0-69-0. Killoen 21-6-57-4; Barrinfolge 7-3-25-0: Cox 39 4-14-83-3 DURHAM; First Innings

Total (no wkt. 3 overs)

J E Morris, J A Deley, "M A Roseberry, P Barrbridge, †D G C Ligertwood, J Wood, D M Cox, N killioen and M J Saggors to BOWLING liot; 2-0-2-0, Andrew 1-0-5-0 Bonus points: Durham 4 Essay 3 Umpires B Dudieston and DR Shepherd Glamorgan v Lancashire

CARDIFF (first day of lour, Glamorgan won loss) Glamorgan have scored 359 for three wickets against Lancashire GLAMORGAN: First innings S P Jerres is Chappie
H Morns c Hegg b Merlin
G P Butcher c Hegg b Walkinson
M P Maynerd not out
P A Cotroy not out
Extres (b 1, lb 13)

Total (3 wkts, 109 overs) . R D B Croft, O D Gibsort, †A D Shaw, D A Cosker, S L Watkin and S R Barwick to bar FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-100, 3-168 BOWLING: Chappio 21-3-88-1: Martin 18-6-58-1, Gollian 14-5-51-0; Austin 13-3-35-0: Kendy 26-5-64-0: Walkinson 17-3

49-1 LANCASHIRE: JER Gallian, S.P.Tilcherd, J.P. Crawley, N. J. Speak, G. D. Lloyd, "M. Wattanson, YW. K. Hegg, I. D. Austin, G. Chapple, P. J. Martin, G. Reedy. Bonus points: Glemorgan 4 Lancachine 1 Umpires. R Pairner and B J Moyor.

# Gloucestershire v

Warwickshire

CHELTENHAM (first day of lour; Gloupestershire wan loss): Gloucester-strie trave scored 331 for three wickets against Warwickshire GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First lanings N J Trainor c Burns b Small

Extras (b 5, lb 18) ..... Total (3 wkts, 105 overs) ..331 A Symonds, M W Alleyne, tR C J Williams. M C J Bell, A M Smith and "C A Welsh to

FALL OF WICKETS 1-18, 2-166, 3-306

BOWLING Policick 21-6-50-0. Munior 21-11-39-0. Small 19-3-69-3, Brown 18-3-71-0. Smith 10-1-32-0. Giles 16-3-47-0 WARWICKSHRIE: A J Moles. A Singh, D P Ostler, T L Pennoy, †M Burns, S M Policick, D R Brown, N M k Smith, A F Giles, G C Small, \*T A Munior Bonus points. Gloucestershire 3 Warwickshire 1

Umpires: H D Bird and B Leadboate Hampshire v Surrey SOUTHAMPTON thist day of four, Hamp-shire won toss). Hampshire have sound 332 for seven wickets against Surrey.

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K D James flow b M P Bicknest

R A Smith c Kersey b Hotticake

V Terry c and b Paurson

M Keech run out

TA N Aymes b Pearson

S D Udai not out

R J Manu not out

Extras (b 1, lb 4, nb 30) . . . . . . . Total (7 wkts, 104 overs) ...... ..332 S M Milburn and J N B Bowil to bat FALL OF WICKETS 1-13, 2-128, 3-137, 4-213, 5-239, 6-291, 7-304

BOWLING: M P Biolonell 18-3-49-3, Berspannin 17-3-61-0, Hollinake 19-5-44-1, Julian 15-1-71-0, Peerson 29-3-80-2: D J Biolonell 4-1-18-0, Shahid 2-0-4-0 4-1-18-0, Sharmo (1994) SURREY: D.J. Bickhodi, M.A. Bulcher, J.D. Ratellite, A.D. Brown, "A. J. Hollioake, N. Shahid, B.P. Julian, 1G. J. Korsey, M.P. Bickhodi, J.E. Benjamin, R. M. Paarson, Borrus points Hampshire 3 Surrey 3 Impros V A Holder and A G T Whitehoad.

Leicestershire v Sussex LEICESTER (Inst day of four. Leicuster-sture won loos): Leicosterchie have scored 258 for nine wickets against

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings J Wells b Lewry

) L Maddy c Moores b Lawry

J F Smith c Athey b Jarvs

2 V Simmons b Giddens

2 J Whaler not out A Nixon not out O J Millins & Moores b Giddins G J Parsons & Moores b Lowry A R X Pierson b Giddins M T Britison & Athey b Lenham Extras (fb 4, w 1, nb 2) Total (9 wkts, 104 overs) ...... FALL OF WICKETS 1-16, 2-43, 3-57, 4-85, 5-131, 6-168, 7-177, 8-198, 9-225 BOMAJNG: Lowry 29-6-69-4, Jarvis 8-1-23-1: Giddins 24-59-60-3; Omitos, 28-9-76-0, Lenham 11 1-3-22-1, Greonifold 3-1,

SUSSEX: C W.J. Athey, N.J. Lenham, "A.P. Wolfs, K. Greonfield, M.P. Spelight, J.W. Hall, E.S.H. Galdins, †P. Moores, P.W. Jarvis, V.C. Drakes, J.D. Lowry

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K M Curran Ibw b Lampit
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J N Snope Ibw b Lampit
A R Roberts b Solania
TO Repley not out Extras (tb 16, w 3 nb 8)

Score at 120 overs 323-9 FALL OF WICHETS, 1-53, 2-56, 3-82, 4-83, 5-137, 6-144, 7-145, 8-145, 9-233 BOWLING Sherryar 27-4-81-1, Ellis 15-3-51-0 Lampitt 25-6-47-3, litingworth 43-12-89-4, Moody 4-9-17-0, Solaniv 6-1-21-1, Church 2-1-0-6-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE; First Innings W P C Weston c Fordham b Snape 68
M J Church b Capel 2
T S Curtis c Montgomerie b Roberts 65
"T M Moody not our 100
V S Solania not our 65
V S Solania not our 65 

Total (4 wkts, 88 overs) ..... 313 †S J Rhodes, S.R Lampit, R.K. Bingworth S.W.K. Elis and A Shenvar Io bat FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-118, 3-195, 4-186

BOWLING Taylor 21:2-67-0, Capel 12:5-45-1; Roberts 10-1-41-1; Snape 26-7-76-2 Curran 12:2-43-0, Penberthy 7-1-35-0

Umpires G I Burgess and D J Constant Yorkshire v Somerset

SCARBOROUGH (second day of low) Somerset, with seven second-inning-wickets in hand, arc 86 runs ahead of forkshire SOMERSET: First limings 309 (K A Parsons 62, R J Harden 54, C E W Severwood 4 for 53)

Second Innings M N Lathwell not out P D Bowler ibw b Gough .... R J Harden c Blakey b Gough Ecrasilo 5 no 4) ...

Total (3 wkts) ..... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-29, 3-62 BOWLING Gough 8-1-18-2 Silverwood 8-4-21-0 Hartley 6-1-15-1 White 3-0-10-0

YORKSHIRE. First innings YORKSHIRE. First innings
M D Monor, hit wicket b Shine. 2M P Vaughan of Turner b Rose. 88
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18 J Baskey of Turner b Caddick 21
C Gough c Rose b Shine 51
P J Hartley b Rose
C E W Silverwood of Turner b Shine 61
R D Stemp not out 20
Extra : (N. 1, 1, 6, 6, 5, 2) Extra : (15 1 w 6 mb 21)

Total (78 3 overs) ....... FALL OF WICKETS 1-8, 2-58, 3-87, 4-87, 5-144, 6-200, 7-215, 8-244, 9-292 BOWLING Caddick 24-5-81-2: Roso 15-5-53-2, Shine 7.3-1-55-3, Lee 17-4-49-1 Botty 15-2-53-2 Banus points Yorkshire 6 Somersci 7 Umpires: G Sharp and R A White

# SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

## BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

This week I want to discuss the auction after a take-out double and the initial response. If the doubler is minimum, say 12-15 HCP, he will pass a simple response. If the doubler bids again after a simple response he shows significant extra values: there is rarely any need to jump around. Let's look at a couple of hands after the auction 1 - Double - Pass - 1 - Pass:

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On hand (i) you should make a simple rebid of One No-trump. To overcall One No-trump would have shown 16-18; therefore to double first shows a little more, say 19-21. That is quite enough on this hand; remember partner would have jumped the bidding on many hands with seven or more points and four or more spades. On Hand (ii) rebid Two Clubs. It would be a mistake to raise spades immediately with only three-card support, as partner is expecting you to have the suit already. There is no reason to jump just because you have 20 points. Partner might have either of the following hands:

(fil) ±Q642 ▼8742

(iv) +J743 \*QJ92

Hand (iii) has a working 5 HCP and a possible ruffing value. quite a suitable hand, but still eleven tricks is a lot to make; a quiet Three Clubs is best. If the doubler makes another move, hand (iii) will bid game. With hand (iv) you have hearts very well guarded, plus a useful queen of clubs, which should make Three No-trumps a good contract, so that's what you should bid over Two Clubs — if you had any more you would have bid either One No-trump or Two Spades on the previous round.

(V) +AK85

(vi) +AK5 \*AQ4 \*AK10954

Hand (v) is an example of what you need to raise partner's One Spade response to Two Spades — remember he could have a Yarborough. Hand (vi) is very powerful and worth a jump to Three Clubs. This is not forcing but shows the values for an

opening Acol Two bid. EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS: Juniors: Standings (after 15 rounds) 1, Norway 309pts, 2, Denmark 300; 3, Russia 282,5, 4, Israel 272, 5, Sweden 261; 6, Poland 251,5; 7, Icoland 250; 8, Hungary 245; 9, Germany 242, 10, Lithuania 240,5; 21, Great Britain 199, Schools: Standings (after five rounds), 1, Germany 103, 2, Israel 87; 3, Poland 85; 4, France 84, 5, Denmark 83; 9, Great Britain 77

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## WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

PARR

b. Scratch

c. An old man

**BULLY OFF** 

a. The red card

a. A young salmon

PRICKET a. A deer b. A thorn hedge

· c. A kilometre

c. A concealed dagger

FIVE-EIGHTH a. An oarsman b. A rugby player

b. Army short rations c. Hockey start Answers on page 42



By Raymond Keene CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Anand revived

After losing the PCA world championship match to Garry Kasparov in New York last year, some of the vitality seemed to drain away from the play of Viswanathan Anand. the Indian grandmaster. However, after almost a year, his fortunes have revived. For his shared first prize with Vladimir Kramnik, the Russian grandmaster, in Dortmund. Anand reverted to a vig-

orous style.

In the following game, against Veselin Topalov, the highly-ranked Bulgarian grandmaster.

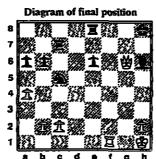
Anand builds up a fierce kingside attack against Topalor's Sicilian Defence and then breaks through with a sacrifice to force a win. White: Viswanathan Anand

Black: Veselin Topalov Dortmund, July 1996 Nc3 Cxd4 Nc6 d6 Nt6 Be7 Be2 0-0

Sicilian Defence B#8 b6 Bb7 Rd2 ю Nos Nos Ros Nos Nd4 23 Rdt2 24 Nce2 25 Nxc6 Bxc6 Bd7 26 Nd4 28 Nt3 Bc6

Bxg2+ Rc7 Kh8 30 Rxg2 31 Ng4 32 Oh3 31 32 On. 33 g6 34 Bxh6 37+ 35 g7+ 36 Nuth6 37 Chtg2 38 Og6

Black resigns Diagram of final position



Young masters After six rounds (from 11) of the Smith and Williamson Young Masters tournament in Guildford. Turner and Stisis have pushed into

the lead with 412 points.

Veteran wins Viktor Korchnoi, 65, continues to display impressive form. Having won first prize ahead of Tony Miles, the British grandmaster, in the international tournament in Malmo, Korchnol went on to win the Politiken Cup in Copenhagen. LEADING SCORES: Korchnol 8'./11

Spoelman, Hodgson 8.

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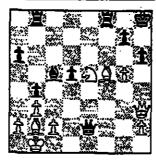
## WINNING MOVE

White to play. Game Chiburdanidze - Larsen, Vienna 1993. Although Black is material ahead in this position. White's active bishop pair provide plenty of counterplay. How did White now demonstrate how potent

Solution, page 42

this weapon can be?

By Raymond Keene



## Whitaker's resolve rallies quest for title

By OUR SPORTS STAFF

JAMES WHITAKER typified the determination underscoring Leicestershire's quest for their first championship since 1975 on a testing day for the second-placed side at Grace Road vesterday.

Sussex fielded an all-seam attack in the absence of lan Salisbury and were rewarded when they reduced Leicestershire to 177 for seven with Whitaker retired hurt and apparently out of the match with a torn calf muscle.

That was the cue for Paul Nixon, the wicketkeeper, to reach double figures for the first time in a home championship match this season. When the ninth wicket fell. Whitaker hobbled back into the action and, at the close, the partnership was worth a further 33 runs. Although Whitaker will hat on today, the injury will keep him out

for at least two weeks. Matthew Maynard, of Glamorgan, was another captain leading by example, although his efforts, against Lancashire at Cardiff, were more speciacular. Maynard scored his third first-class century in his past four innings and went from 66 to 101 in just 13 balls. That brief flurry was, however, not typical of a highly-

responsible innings.
Simon Brown's absence of Test duty did not prevent the Durham attack having a fruitful day at Hartlepool. Neil Kileen, playing his first championship match this season, took four for 57 and David Cox three for 83 as Essex were dismissed for 334.

Tom Moody scored his fifth

championship century of the season off only 135 balls in an

impressive Worcestershire

performance on the second

day of their match against

Northamptonshire at Kidderminster. ☐ Glenn Turner has been dismissed as coach of New Zealand and replaced by Steve Rixon, the former Australia wicketkeeper.

Umpires: J H Harris and P. J Lyon;

OLYMPIC GAMES

# Tait assumes control after King makes costly error

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR

Total Control of the 
BLYTH TAIT, of New Zealand, the former world champion, leads the individual Olympic three-day event after an incomparable display of horsemanship yesterday on the eight-year-old. Ready Teddy, who was only a novice last

Brought in at the last minute to replace the dual Olympic champion, Mark Todd, and the injured Kayem. Tait produced the fastest clear round of the day to finish four points ahead of his compatriot. Sally Clark, on Squirrel

"He's got a heart of gold. I think he could be one of the best horses in the sport." Tait said of the New Zealand-bred thoroughbred, bought by his father. Robert, two years ago for £2,000.

In contrast, Mary King, who was on the course at 8.45am, when it was only 78F. rode cautiously and saw her hopes of a gold medal come to a grinding halt when King William refused at fence nine. King now lying seventh. admitted that the refusal - the first King William has had in a three-day-event - was her

"He jumped to the left over the previous fence and I overcorrected him," she said. "I didn't get a good line for the three fences, we lost impulsion and he had no alternative but to stop."

King then made an error of judgment and, instead of trying to make up the time, decided that she had lost her chance of a medal and that there was no point in hurrying

There was more gloomy news for the depressed British camp when The Cool Customer. Charlotte Bathe's seasoned campaigner, finished badly lame after a clear round which out them into eighth. Chris Hunnable, the third Briton,



fulfilled expectations when he and Mr Bootsie had a clear round to go into ninth.

With most of the top horses oing in the team event, the individual contest was always going to be a sub-standard event. David O'Connor, of the United States, dropped from second to fifth place after a clear but slow round on Custom Made, while Andrew Hoy, a member of Australia's gold medal-winning team, re-fused at the same fence as King on Gershwin.

Andrew Nicholson, a bronze medal-winner with the New Zealand team, had an unlucky fall in the first water complex after his Burghley winner. Buckley Province,

Marie-Christine Duroy, of France, a veteran of three Olympic Games, completed the fall of the stars when she retired Ut du Placineau after refusing at fence seven.

rate about the performance of Tait and Ready Teddy, though. "He's so inexperi-enced," Tait said. "My main concern here was not to hurt him." He was philosophical about today's showjumping, the final phase. "It'll be quite an atmosphere for him but, if he does make a mistake and Sally wins, we'll still be



Smith is eestatic as she shows off her third gold medal after winning the 200 metres individual medley

## Smith plunges into pool of money

ing in the Irish eyes of Kathy Stapleton.
As manager of Michelle Smith and the first agent to be allowed full access to a swimmer at an Olympic Games, she is poised to start counting the cheques that will flow from a balance of at least three gold medals at the Centennial Olympic Games.

Rowing

Shooting

Softball

**Swimming** 

PINAL: 1, D Parkrelov (Rus) 52.27sec (world record). 2, S Miller (Aus) 52.53, 3, V Kushov (Rus) 53.13, 4, Cheng Laurg (China) 53.20; 5, R Szukas (Pol) 53.29, 6, M Klim (Aus) 63.30; 7, S Caste (Can) 53.33, 8, P Khmyldin (Ukr) 53.38

Women's 800m freestyle

Men's 100m butterfly

Round-robin

Women's eights

Smith, 26, from Rathcoole in Dublin, could be a millionaire by Christmas, but with a fourth title to race for today, she is trying to keep her mind off the money — talk is of \$100.000 for each medal for There was nothing secondstarters. What Smith cannot avoid are thoughts of a home-coming the likes of which Jack Charlton could only

dream. "When I get off the plane, I reckon the airport is going to be pretty crowded," said Smith. "I'm told people are out partying 'til five and six in the morning and then getting into work at eight, but managCraig Lord finds Ireland's swim heroine

unmoved by the prospect of a golden future

ers can't get any work out of them all day because they're all so drunk. I have a message for Ireland: don't drink too much before I come home -save some for me." Smith is drunk on a success

achieved through a remarkthat saw her defeat three defending champions and prompted speculation that the swimmer's form owes more to medicine than talent. Her husband of a month, and coach of three years, is Erik de Bruin, the Dutch discus thrower suspended for steroids in 1993. The couple live near Dordrecht in Holland. having left Ireland because there is no 50 metres (or

Olympic-size) pool there. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) scotched rumours of a positive test yesterday. Michelle Verdier, spokeswoman for the IOC, said it had taken "two or a maxi-mum of three days for the A tests to be completed" and when asked whether testing for events on Saturday when Smith won the 400 metres medley — were fin-ished with, she replied "yes".

Smith, also winner of the 400 metres freestyle and 200 metres medley, never doubted that result. Of her critics, mainly from the host nation, one of whose medal-winners. Angel Martino, returned to the sport after testing positive for steroids in 1988, she said: The Americans are being a little bit ungracious and I don't want to lower myself to

Nor did she want to talk of the wealthy life to come: "I'm not thinking about that at the

moment My job until Friday is in the pool. It's never been my goal in life to be rich or wealthy. All that I would like is enough to have a nice house. I don't need Porsches outside."

There may be no avoiding it. Stapleton, head of a public relations agency in Dublin, said: "No figures yet, but the rewards will be endless because she's such a pleasant and remarkable woman. She's going to be a very wealthy woman. The offers are at saturation point. In five hours today, I had 67 faxes of a commercial nature and 92 phone calls." Smith, who is chasing

Franziska van Almsick, of Germany, in the money stakes, will today race in the 200 metres butterfly. Another golden moment would see her equal the record of Kristin Otto, of the former East Germany, who won four indi-vidual gold medals at the Seoul Games in 1988.

# **Smith suggests** success after Foster failure

FROM CRAIG LORD

MARK FOSTER became the latest British casualty of the swimming heats at the the Georgia Tech Aquatic Center yesterday, finishing tenth in the 50 metres freestyle, just 0.05sec behind the three men who tied for seventh place and had to swim off for a place in the final.

There was much better news from Graeme Smith, of Stockport, who qualified sec-ond-fastest for the 1,500 metres freestyle final in 15min 14.8lsec, two seconds behind Daniel Kowalski, of Australia, whose team-mate. Kieren Perkins, the world champion and record-holder, scraped into the final by just 0.23sec. Paul Palmer, who was Britain's first medal-winner of the Games on Monday, with a silver in the 400 metres frestyle, finished tenth, 1.23sec behind Perkins.

Given that Foster, 26, finished sixth at the last Games after only a season back in the sport, he could only wonder at what went wrong. His time yesterday was 22.73sec. 0.30sec slower than he swam in Barcelona to set the British record.

Though his start looked good and he maintained a powerful rhythm and smooth stroke to lead Gary Hall, of the United States, for the first 30 metres, he was slow off the blocks and the stroke he had spent the winter honing tightened in the closing metres.

Foster has a chance to make ammends in the B, or consolation, final, but hopes of a medal are gone for a man aiming to capitalise on a



Egerszegi: fastest

harder training regime and winter seasons in which he records, collected world titles and been one of only two men to beat Alexander Popov, the Russian who qualified fastest for the 50 metres final and, on Monday, became the first man since Johnny "Tarzan" Weissmuller to retain the 100 metres

Popov's team-mate. Denis pool on Wednesday night, setting a world record of 52.27sec in the 100 metres butterfly. 0.05sec inside his own previous mark.

Pankratov had already won the 200 metres on Monday, when James Hickman, 20, from Stockport, set the British record of 1min 58.16sec in the heats to make his first Olympic final. In the 100 metres, he did not make the final, but won the B final in a British record of 53.23sec.

The time was 0.07see inside that which won the bronze medal for Andy Jameson in Seoul. 1988, and would have placed him fifth and just 0.1sec away from the bronze medal in the final here in Atlanta.

His room-mate, Nick Gillingham, announced his retirement from the sport after finishing fourth in the 200 metres breaststroke, 20 years to the day that David Wilkie had won the title in a world record.

"Fourth place is the worst possible," Gillingham, at 29 the oldest man in the final, said. "I can't say that I'm disappointed. I would have liked to have got a better result, but it's not so upsetting when you're looking forward to the rest of your life."

Gillingham never put himself in contention and ,turning fifth at 150 metres, he could not recover his large deficit behind Norbert Rozsa, of Hungary, who won in 2min 12.57sec.

Another Hungarian, Kriztina Egerszegi, set herself up to become the first woman since Dawn Fraser to win three consecutive Olympic titles at the same event. She qualified fastest for the final of the 200 metres backstroke, in

## WEDNESDAY'S LATE RESULTS FROM ATLANTA

## Badminton

Men's singles FIRST ROUND: D Hail (GB) bi R Michels (Hol) 15-4, 15-4, P Knowles (GB) bi K Han (US) (2-15, 15-10, 15-7, H Fuchs (Austra) bi J Robertson (GB) 15-2, 15-6

Women's singles PIRST ROUND: E Rybkhma (Rus) bt J Muggendge (GB) 11-6, 12-11. k Morgan (GB) bt Song Yang (Aus) 11-1, 11-5

## Baseball

Round-robin United States 15 liaty 3, Cuba 14 South Ko-

## Basketball Men's preliminary round POOL A: China 87 Argentina 77, Croalia 71 Arcenta 48, United States 104 Lithuguse 82

Beach volleyball

## Women

OUARTER-FINALS S Pires Tavares and J Silva Cruz (Br) bit A Spring and I Fernsich (Aus i 15-13. M Rodrigues and A Samuel Ramos (Br) bit B Fontaina Homs and L Hunley (US) 15-10 H McPeak, and N Reno (US) bit B Buehler and D Mussch (Ber) 15-6 N Cook and Y A Potitians's (Aus) bit G Castro and D Richardson (US) 15-7.

## Boxing Light-weiterweight

Light-weltenweight

FRST ROUND: H Vinent (Cube) bit Han
Hyung-min (S kort isc 2nd int. P Boudneauth
(Can) bit H Maternia (Tan) pls. N Suleymanoglu
(Tur) bit A Dailro (Gumen) pls. E Zaharov (Rus)
bit F Manni (Lepan) pis. D Mivide (Carr) bit S
Favi (PNG) pls. B Nipazymetov (Fazi bit C
Martinez (Mas) pis. G Legras (Sey) bit D Essales
(Cot) pls. B Moghani (Iran) bit R Susletov (Buli)
pis. J Bleish (Pol) bit L Perez (P Rico) pls. M
Allatov (Alg) bit P Bulinga (Fan) pis F Barreti
(Ire) bit Z Ferreta (Bri pis. F Missaour (Tur) bit L
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VI) pis 3rd (mit C) Uwel (Ger)
bit N Mouchi (Frai No U Usman (Pali) 1st md.
5 Bulkovski (Belo) of B Vardzelashvili (Georgia)
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## Light-heavyweight

Light-heavyweight
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(Rus) pix. E Flores (P Rico) bi G Sangh (mobal
pix T Ross (Can) bit R Ratorma (Sey) 3rd md.
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P Author (II) bit Ozbart (Tur) pix. S Boses (SA) bit
G Hernandise (Dom R) pix. D Bispo (Br) bit A
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(Aus) pix. S Drive (Co) bit J Douglas (Guy) risc
3rd md. T Bragmon (Lob) bit R Zaouffedme
(Ukr) pix. Lee Seung-bae (S Kor) bit S Leuk
(W Sam) pix. F Rojes (Cuba) bit M kafile
(Egypt) pix.

## Cycling

Men's sprint 

# Men's individual pursuit Men's individual pursuit QUALIFYING ROUND (100 eight to quarier trads) Qualifiers: 1, A Collinelle (fit 4min 19 (899ec; feorid record), 2 P Ermenaul (Fit 421295, 3, A Markov (Fits), 427074, 4, J Martinez (Sp), 427999, 5, B McGee (Aus), 427954, 6, H Szonn (300), 42999, 7074, 4, J Peroz (4m), 430,715, 8, A Yassonko (Ust 193,297,16, P Collins (Ins), 44,207 QUARTER-FINALS: McGee (424,943) bt Martinez (428,310), Markov (424,863) bt Scotm (431583), Emmenaul (4228,33) d Perez, Collinelli (419,153) world record) cl tatsenko

Women's sprint QUALIFYING ROUND: 1, M Fems (Aus) 11 212sec. 2, F Ballanger (Fr) 11 277, 3, O

Grishma (Rus) 11.298; 4. I Hartinga (Hot) 11.456, 5; Wang Yan (China) 11.519, 6; A Neumann (GC) 11.539, 7; C Parashevin-Young (US) 11.546, equal 8.7 Dubrical (Cen) and 5; Saturaes (Est) 11.566, 10; D Larreal (Ven) 11.878, 11; M Kassin (Fin) 11.924, 12; D Wynd (NZ) 11.961, 13; R Razmalte (Lift) 11.971; 14; N Contreras (Mos) 11.992.

## Equestrianism Three-day event, individual

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Fencing Men's team sabre

## PINAL: Russia bi Hungary 45-25 Women's team epée

## Football Men's preliminary round

**Gymnastics** Men's all-round

# Handball

Men's preliminary round

## Hockey Men's preliminary round

Judo Men's under 71kg

Men's under 71kg

FOURTH ROUND: J Pedro (US) bi D Kingston (QB), G Borides (Por) bi L Misisterit (San Mi. V Dephuadze (Georgia) bi H Payro (Barb). A Siturbabin (Georgia) bi H Payro (Barb). A Siturbabin (Policy) bi H Mousse (Turil. K Nakamura (Japa) bi F Rodriguez (P Rocy 'S Abanoz (Tur) bi J Pedco (Pani), B Hajlos (Puri) bi D Bambilla (II). M Schimoti (Geri bi K Woptan (Pol) F Bodissater (Mong) bi S Albania (Pan), B Persera (Br) bi C Gaglanto (Fri: S Corlan (M2) bi Huang Chen-Lung (Telwani), S Corlan (M2) bi Huang Chen-Lung (Telwani), A Golban (Mci) bi Huang Chen-Lung (Telwani), A Golban (Mci) bi A Achirov (Mci), A Ghorm (Ian) bi H Nunez (C Rica) Evena (Dan-Sung (S Nort bi D Nousea (N C), S Al-Sharrah (Kuw) bi J Vergos (B Sol) N Nakamura (Japan) i K A Hahnar (Ap); V Debuadze (Georgia) bi G Bertes (Poil FIFTH ROUND). Xweb Dae-Sung bi Ghorni; Shuthabin bi Al-Sharrah, Petetra bi Abanox: Corlon bi Golban, Schmadt bi Hajlos, Nakamura bi Harhat, Boldbaalar bi Pedro (QUARTER-FINALS: Nakamura bi Boldbaatar (N Sell-FINALS: Nakamura bi Bidobastar (N Sell-FINALS: Nakamura bi Bidobastar; Nersh. Dee-sung bi Sell-FINALS: Nakamura bi Bidobastar; Nersh. Dee-sung bi Ferera

Dee-surg bt Pereira BRONZE MEDAL BOUTS: J Pedro (US) bt Pereira C Gegliano (Fr) bi Bolotizalar PINAL: K Nakemura Llapsus bt Kwali Dae-sung (S Kor) Women's under 56kg VYOTTIERT S URFOLD GLONG S KOT IX M LOTIDO (Bel): N McCoguchi (Japan) bi M Momeau (Cari), M Peld (Hurri bi D Zarugando (Br), Chuang Lu (China) bi C West (US): V Digetuadre (Georgia) bi G Benes (Por), N Fairbother (Bib bi B Kucharzewska (Fol), D Gonzaloz (Cube) bi J Gel (Hol), Huang Al-Dun (Tawan) bi F Cavalleri (Por); i

Fernande: (Sp) bt Z Gussynova (Azer).
OUARTER-RINALS: Sun-yong Jung bt
Mooguchi, Fernandez bt Pekk, Gorzalez bt
Fernander: Chuang Liu bt Huang Al-Chun,
SEMI-RINALS: Sun-yong Jung bt Fernandez,
Gonzalez bt Chuang Liu,
BRONZE MEDAL BOUTS: I Fernandez (Sp) bt
Fastorother, M Lombe (Bel) bt Chuang Liu,
FINAL: Gorcalez bt Sun-yong Jung.

SEMI-FINALS: Russia bi Ilaly 45-28 Hungary bi Poland 45-30

# BRONZE MEDAL BOUT: Italy by Poland 45-37

Men's double trap PRMA: 1, R. Maris, (Aus.) 189pts 2, A. Pére (t) 183; 3, Zhang Bing (Chine) 183, 4, Chul-sung Panis (S. Kori 183, 5, R. Faudet (GB) 180, 0 Huang 1-Chien (Tawan) 178, Non-qualifiert equal 27, X. Gill (GB) 125 (out of 150) SEMI-FINALS: Italy bi Hungary 45-32. France bi Russla 45-39 BRONZE MEDAL BOUT: Russia bi Hungary Men's 25-metre rapid fire pistol OUALIFYING fleading agit quality for final Cualifiers: 1, 9 Schumenn (Ger) 236pts. 2, 6 Leconi (Nobic) 295, 3, M knalysi. (107) 395; 4, E Miley (Bul) 294, 5, D Leonhard (Ger) 293; 6, M Ascemet (Switz) 295; 7, VVolkmyanin (Kar) 293, 8, K Kuchanzyk (Pol) 292. FINAL France by (Laty 45-33)

POOL A: Argentina 1 Tunisia 1, Portugal POOL B: France 2 Saudi Arabia 1 Spain 3

United States 4 Tawan 0, China 10 Puerto Rico 0, Australia 1 Holland 0, Japan 4 Canada 0 Nemov (Rus) 36/374, 3, V Scherbo (Belc) 58/197, 4, 2handov (Rhis) 36/374, 3, V Scherbo (Belc) 58/197, 4, 2hang Jenjing (China) 57/48, 5. Shen Jian (China) 57/68, 7, J Roenhisberger (LiS) 57/782, 8, R Shanpov (Lis), 9 A Swelfichen (Uer) 57/686; 10, B Wilson (US) 57/686. Men's 200m breaststroke FINAL: 1. N Rocsa (Hun) 2min 12:5788; 2, K Guttler (Hun) 2:13:08, 3, A Komeyev (Rus) 2:13:17. A N Gellingham (GB) 2:14:37. 5, P Rogass (Aus) 2:14 72. 6, M Krastovik (Poh 2:14:94, 7, E Wunderlich (US) 2:15:69, 8, A Crote (US) 2:18:05

POOL A: Russin 32: huavail 20: Croatia 23 Switzerfund 22: Swingden 23 United States 19 POOL B: France 27 Spain 25, Egypt 19 Algena 16, Germany 30 Brazil 20

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Women's 800m freestyle
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(Hot) 8:39 85; 5, 5 Cam (Bel) 8.48 33, 6,
Espazza (Sp) 8 50 22, 7, R Kovacs (Hun)
9-08 87, Heat three: 1, B Bennote (US) 8 22,8,
2, D Heate (San 8:23 55, 3, K Kielgass (Gar)
56 33, 4, K Vingshus (Hot) 8:30 73, 5, N
Driden (Can) 8:47 19; 8, O Spichalova (Ch)
8 47 88, 7, 5 Richardson (Can) 8:26 13, M
Bosevskin (Macc) 8:57 52 Heat four: 1, Lin
Chi-Chan (Talesan) 8:40 31, 2, E Yomanoi
Ulapani 8:40 47, 3, S Garrell (Aus) 8:42 39, 4,
Yid Pu (Chira) 8:45 22, 5, H Lenss (Aus)
8:45 79, 6, A Bernitoca Ving) 8:48 54, 7, C
Negrea (From) 8:54 19; 6, A Miyako (Japan)
8:55 77

Women's 200m i'dual medley FINAL: 1, M Smith (Ire) 2mm 13 93sec. 2, M Linger (Carl) 2 14 36: 3, Li Lin (Chine) 214 74 4, Middle (Carl) 2 15 20 5, E Overion (Aus) 2:1604, 6 A Wagner (US) 2:16 43, 7, M Smit (Hot) 2:1673, 8, L Kulsson (See) 2:17.25

Women's 4 x 100m medley relay FINAL: 1, Unass States IB Botsford, A Beard, A Martino, A Van Dykeni Amin 02 88ser; A Australia (N. Soverson, S. Riley, S. O'Nell, S. Byzny 4 05 08; 3, China (Yan Chen, Xue Hen, Hutte Car, Ying Shanj 477 34, 4, South Airica 408 16; 5, Carada 470 29; 6, Germany 4 08 22; 7, Russia 4 10 56; 8, Italy 4,10.59

Tennis FIRST ROUBL R Furtar (II) bil J Novak (C2) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. T Engvisi (Swe) bit M Goldner (Gar) 7-6, 4-6, 6-4, M Filippane (Un) bil L Monoya (Ec) 6-7, 7-5, 6-1 k Cartser, (Don) bil M Knowker, Bern 7-5, 6-2, L Paes (Inde) bil R Rensborg (US) 6-7, 7-6, 1-0, ret, M Washington

(US) bl J Krostak (Storekla) 6-3, 7-6: W Fernera (SA) bt G Ellis (Arry) 6-4, 8-3: M Contrusias (SA) bt G hornesvic (Cro) 6-2, 6-4 M Gustafeson (Swe) bt J Pagenor (Hara) 5-2, 6-4 C Pussediski (CB) bt J Frans (Arg) 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, M Priloppoussa; (Aus) bt P Hearhuis (Hol), 7-6, 7-6, C Ruud (Nor) bt A Hermandez (Mer) 6-3, 2-5, 8-6, A Othersky (Rus) bt N Lapentii (Er) 8-1, 3-6, 8-6; A Boetsch (Fr) bt B Steven (NZ) 6-2, 7-8

Women's singles Women's singles

First ROUND: Sh-Tin Wang (Tawan) bi A
Sarra-Zaneth (fi) 7-5. 7-6. A Coetzer (SA) bi R
McQuillen (Aus) 6-4. 7-6. R Zrubakora
(Sturkis) bit J Nejediy (Can) 6-3. 6-2. L
Devanport (US) bi A Namer (Lus) 6-2. 6-1. M
Pierze (Fi) bi O Barshamach'sova (Beto) 6-3. 7-5.
M J Fernandez (US) bi E Likhoviseva (Rus)
6-2. 6-4. A-2. M Savernasta'sova (Beto) 6-3. 7-6.
4-6-2. M Savernasta (Japan) bi Sang-hee
Park (S Kon) 6-3. 4-6. 6-3. M De Swerdi (SA) bi.
H Suldone (Ca) 7-6. 3-6. 7-5. V Rusno Pascal
(Sp) bi M Grzyłowska (Pol) 6-4. 6-2. I Majoli
(Cro) bi N Bradke (Aus) 3-6. 6-3. 6-4. I
Georochestogu (Arg) bi Jing-Clan VI (Chria)
6-2. 1-6. 6-1.

## Table tennis Women's singles

PRELIMINARY ROLIND: Fool A: M Sw (Swot b) L Lomes (GB) 21-16, 21-10 Women's doubles PRELIMINARY ROUND: Pool B: Wel Liu and Yunging Olso (China) bi A Holt and L Lomes (GB) 21-9, 21-7

## Volleyball Women's preliminary round POOL A: Holland bi Japan 15-3, 15-10, 15-3; Christ bi Unded Stales, 15-8, 15-2, 12-15, 15-12, South Korea in Libratine 15-3, 15-10, 15-7 POOL 8: Germany bi Caracta 15-6, 15-12, 15-8 Brazzl by Russal 15-3, 15-11, 15-13. Cube bi Paru 15-2, 15-5, 15-10

Water polo Preliminary round POOL A: Hungary 12 Yugoslavia 8, Spain 8 Russia 5, Holland 8 Germany 9 POOL 8: Greece 9 Unaine 6, Italy 10 Romania 9: Umited Sizace 10 Croaba 8

Weightlifting Under 76kg Officer 7089.

P. Lira, (Cuba. 162.5hg snakch, 205 clean and jerh, 367.5, 2, Y Yolov (But. 160, 200) 360.0; 3, Jon Chol-ho (N Yor. 162.5, 1954g) 357.5, 4, V Mibros, (Gr. 162.5, 1956) 357.6, 5. Shouleing Lin (Chine. 167.4, 165.0) 352.5, 6.1, Santhosela (Ger. 160.0, 187.5) 347.5, 7. 3 Filmonov (Faus. 160.0, 185.0) 345.0; 8, N. Liobachov (Belo. 160.0, 182.5) 345.5, 1, A Polischie (Ger. 160.0, 182.5) 345.5, 1, A

## Yachting Men's Mistral LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES: 1, N Kaldemanskis (Gr) 14pts: 2, A Molritosh (MZ) 28, 3, C Espinola (Arg) 12, 28, H Plumb (GB) 118

Men's 470 PRST RACE: 1, Spain: 2, Ukrame, 3, Croate: 15, Groat Britain. Men's Finn LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES: 1, F Look (Swe) 18pts. 2, C Bergmann (Sh) 31, 3, H Spatzaser (Austra) 22, 18, R Sternhouse (GB) 61, 25, J Drescel (ive) 82

Star LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES:

1. Australia 14. 2, Brazil 18: 3, United States 15, 14, Great Britan (A Beactworth, B Parkin, A Stead) 55, 15, Ireland (G Connolly, D O'Grady, M Ying) 69 Leser LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES: 1, S Varicate (Gor) 18: 2, P Moberg (Not) 17: 3, R Schoot (Br) 15: 4, B Ainste (GB) 38; 9, M Lydie (Ire) 79

Women's Mistral LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES: 1, B Kendali (NZ) 12: 2, Lei Shan Lee (HQ 9, 3, A Sensini (N) 15: 10. P Wilson (GB) 40 Women's 470 FRST PACE: 1. Ukraino, 2, United States. 3, Japan 5, Great Britain, 10 Ireland. Women's Europe LEADING POSITIONS AFTER FOUR RACES: 1, K Roug (Don) 8pts: 2, C Becker-Day (LS) 13, S Robertson (GB) 29: 8, A Bowman (ine) 36

## McGregor raises Britain's hopes

FROM PETER BRYAN

YVONNE McGREGOR lifted some of the gloom over Britain's track team yesterday when she quali-fied third-fastest in the women's 3,000 metres pursuit. While waiting for her heat. she saw the Olympic record of 3min 4L509sec beaten twice and reduced to 3min 35.774sec by Marion Clignet, of France.

Her heat was a meeting between two world recordholders; McGregor, the onehour holder, and Antonella Bellutti, of Italy, who holds the record for 3,000 metres. In the event, the Olympic record was beaten for the third time in the series when Bellutti set a new mark of 3min 34.130sec.

The time would have been at least one second faster had her front wheel not slipped with the force of her effort in leaving the starting gate. Bellutti did well to keep her balance and quickly opened a slight lead on McGregor, which was extended to ten metres after two laps.

The British champion drew level at the end of the third circuit and nosed ahead at the one kilometre point by half a second, but after that Belutti remained in front to the end. McGregor finished in

3min 39.545sec and said: "I'm glad that first ride is out of the way. I'm happy enough to have qualified third-fastest; I usually get more confident as the series progresses." McGregor said she wished that the quarterfinal round, in which she meets Sarah Ulmer, of Germany, today, could have been held yesterday as she has a quick recovery rate. Chris Boardman was due

to arrive in Atlanta last night to the news that he will be Britain's only rider in the 62-kilometre road time-trial on August 3. Graeme Obree has decided to return home and devote himself to achieving 100 per cent fitness before the defence of his world pursuit title in Manchester on August 29.

# YESTERDAY'S RESULTS FROM ATLANTA 7°22 43; 5, S Fernandez (Arg) 7°23 70, 6, P Heiming (GB) 7°30 47 Heat two: 1, T Lange (Ger) 7°12:30; 2, I Cop (Stoverial) 7°15'07'3, V Chattupa (C2) 7°16'97', 4, R Waddell (NZ) 7°18'52' 5, C Beesley (US) 7°31'49; 8, H Nussbaumer (Austria) 7°35'52

## Badminton

Men's doubles PRIST ROUND: P Brackburn and P Steight (Aus) bi S Beeharry and E Clarisse (Maur) 15-3, 15-8; Cheng Ge and Xiaoqian; Tan (Christ) bi D Hall and P Knowles (GB) 15-2, 15-3; Soo Beng Kiang and Tan Kim Her (Maloy) bi A Kaul and I Sydle (Can) 15-7, 15-3

Women's doubles PRIST ROUND: E and R Zalin (Indo) bt M Bengisson and M Borg (Swe) 15-6, 15-13; F and L Tampl (Indo) bt R Cator and A Hardy (Aus. 15-9, 15-4, Jac Hise Chung and Soo Park (S Nort bt C Li-Chi and Tsai Husy-Min (Tahara) 15-7, 15-8

## Basketball Women's preliminary round

Beach volleyball Women

## QUARTER-FINALS: A Spring and L Femwick (Aus) bit A Cooper and A Glover (GB) 15-12

Cycling Men's individual pursuit SEMI-FINALS: P Ermenault (Fr. 4mm 24 082sec) bt A Maskov (Rus., 4 26.828; A College (it. 422.775) bt B McGee (Aus. 4 28 121) McGee vens bronze medel FINAL: A Collinelli (t. 420883) bt P Ermenault (Fr. 4:22.714)

Men's sprint Men's sprint.

SECOND ROUND (winners to third round, losers to repechages) & Neward (Aus) bt L.

Vassiopouses (G/): C. Hameri (Cen) bt P.

Bazsiki (Slovalea); M. Norhsteri (LIS) bt M.

Hitteosh. (Sovalea); J. Fiedler (Ger) bt J.

Antonio Escurado (Spi: E Polomy (Ger) bt J.

M. Moreno (Spi: D. Hit (Aus) bt W. Clay (US), P.

Buran (C2) bt & Himonetos (Gr), F. Rousseau
(Fr) bt F. Magne (Fr); V. Berzins (Lai) bt R.

Chisppe (II)

Women's individual pursuit OUALIPYING ROUND (no eight to quarier-finals) 1, A Bellutt (ti) 3min 34.130set; 2, M Clignet (Fr) 3.35.774; 3, V McGrogor (GB) 3.39.945; 4, RTwag (LS) 3.39.89; 5, J Amdti (Ger) 3.40.335; 6, S Limer (N2) 3.43.176; 7, R Mazelloyte (Lith) 3.43.590; 8, K Watti (Aus) 3.45.656; 9, M Hartwell (Nort) 3.43.824; 10, N Rafmova (Rus) 3.45.246; 11, Wang Clingzhi (Chinn) 3.49.823, 12, S Hashemoto (Japani) 3.52.745.

## Equestrianism Three-day event individual Intree-day event, individual Leaders Affèr Speed AND ENDUR-ANCE TEST: 1, 8 far (Reddy Teddy, NZ) 56 8ps; 2, 5 Carls (Squirel Hai, NZ) 60 4, 1, 2 for the food, US; 67.2 4, 3 Teuler (Rodcks, Fr) 67.2, 5 D O'Connor Custom Made, US) 68 4; 6. C Van Rodkrvorsel (Oils, Bell 77 4; 7, M Ning (King William, GB) 78.6, 8. C Bathe (The Cod Customer, GB) 78.6, 9. C Hunnable Me Bootse, GB) 81.4; 10. H Van Paepcka (Arradeus, Ger) 82.20

Fencing Men's team foil CUALIFYING ROLIND: South Korea by China 45-42; Poland bi Vanezuela 45-27-Austin bi United States 45-32 CUARTER-FINALS: Cube bi South Korea 45-34, Russee bi Hungery 45-43. Poland bi Germany 45-44. Austen bi fiely 45-38 Women's team foil QUALIFYING ROUND: Russia bi Argentina 45-20. China bi Israel 45-29; Poland bi United States 45-44

QUARTER-FINALS: Italy bt China 45-24. Hungary bt France 45-26; Romania bt Russia 45-41, Germany bt Poland 45-35 Handball Men's preliminary round POOL A: huwali 22 Crosta 31

Rowing Men's single sculls SEMI-PENALS (first three in each heat to final) Heat one: 1, X Mueller (Swiz) 7mm 10 07sec: 2, D Porter (Can) 7-1491; 3, F Betken (Nor) 7 1982; 4, A Imrahim (Egyot)

Men's double scuils Ment's Countrie Schmiss
SEMI-FINALS (Inst three in each heat to finel) Heat oner, 1, Italy (D Tizzano and A Abbagnale) Emin 37 49sec; 2, Norway (N Undeel and S Storaeth) 6 40.15, 3, Germany (S Mayer and R Opfer) 6 42 57, 4, Canada, 6 46 35, 5 Belgium 6 48 13; 5, Storaeth 6 46 35; 5 Belgium 6 48 13; 6, Storaeth 6, 55 73 Heat heb; 1, France (F Yowal and S Barathey) 5:22 86; 2, Austria (A Northe and C Zerbet) 6 35 76, 3, Denmark (L Christenson and M Halbohansen) 6 37 10; 4, Austrials 6 39 49; 5, Letwe 6 40 35; 6, Croadia 7 03.53.

# Men's coxless pairs

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SEMI-FRNALS (first three in each heat to final) Heat one: 1, Australia (D Weightmen and R Scott) 8 46 43: 2, France (M Andreus and J-C Foolend) 6-40 15, 3, Crosba (M Banovic and N Seraga) 8.55.89: 4, Austra 65.7.49: 6, Bulgaria 700 12, Heat two: 1, Great Britain (S Redgrave and M Pinsent) 5-50 30, 2, New Zeeland (T Dunitop and D Schaper) 6-51.64: 3 Italy (M Penns and W Bottega) 6-52 32: 4 United States 6-52 92, 5, Belgium 6-55 84: 6, Argentina 7-14 59

Men's coxless fours Men's COXIESS TOURS
SEMI-FINALS (first three in each heet to Irial) Heat one: 1, France (G Bosquet, D Fauche, B Vecten, O Moncelet) 6 09 55, 2; taly (V Molea, R De Forsa, R Leonardo, C Morrath) 6 09 62; 3, Australia (D Grin, J Torrikars, N Green, M McLey) 6:09 95; 4, Crosta 6:12.40; 5, Norway 6 15 17; 5, China 6:25.79 Heat two: 1, Great Britain (R Obnobler, J Searle, G Searle, T Foster) 6:10 76; 2, Romenta (C Meann, D Aupol, D Popescu, V Mestacari) 6:11 84; 3, Stovens (D 2vergel, J Neiemeroc, M Lerea, S Melifect 6:13 16; 4, Poland 8:16.65; 5, United States 6:18.66; 6, Germany 6:19 05

# Women's single sculis

SEME-PLAALS (lists throe in each heat to final): Heet one: 1. S. Laumenn (Cari) 7.57.58; 2, Y. Khoototokich (Belo) 8.00.02; 3. M. Branden (Swe) 8.01.55; 4. A. Bredsel (Bel) 8.05.78; 5, R. Neykova (Bul) 8.16.53; 6, Ernske-Besents (Frij) 8.25.00; Heat hero: 1, 7 Hanten (Den) 7.53.48; 2, R. Davidon (US) 7.54.97; 3, G. Batten (GB) 7.56.61; 4, E. Lu Keochun (Chine) 8.15.83 Women's double sculls

WOTTIER'S COULDERSCHISS
SEMI-FINALS (First here in each heat he
final) Heat one: 1, Canada (M McBean and
k Heddie) 7 11 21, 2, New Zealand (P Baker
and B Lawron) 7,155 7, 3, Australia (M
Hatzalvs and B Roye) 7,155 8, 4, Bulgarla
718 33, 5, United Stales 72,197, 6, Italy
738.85 Heat two: 1, China (Cao Manying
and Zhang Xuyun) 7,15 47; 2, Holtand (Figs
and E van Nes) 7,16.39; 3, Germany (J
Thieme and M Lutzel 7,19.62, 4 Norway
7,26.24, 5 Ulcraire 7,28.53; 6, Latva
7,32,00

Women's coxless pairs Women's COXORSS pall's SEMI-FINALS (first three in each heat to final) 1, United Stesses (M Schwen and K Marti) 7:29-31: 2. Australia (M Stall and K Staten) 7:32-31: 2. Australia (M Stall and K Staten) 7:36-37: 4. China 7:36-30: 
## Hockey Men's preliminary round POOL B: South Aince 3 South Fares 3

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## Shooting Men's 50-metre free rifle, prone

Men's 50-metre free rifle, prone CUALIFYING ROUND fors egyst quality for first 1, C Kless (Ger) 600pts (world record). 2, J Gono (Slovasta) 599, 3, S Martynov (Belo) 596, 4, S Belleav (Naz) 596, 5, B Meek (LS) 597; 6, J Gorzalez (Sp) 597, 7, Eun-chul Lee (S Korl 596; 8, M Mech (Cz) 596; equal 9. R Debevec (Sovenia) and S Kovadorko (Rus) 596; equal 11. V Becves (Cz), R Krasłowski (Pol), Werije Li (Chrina), Y Lornov (Kyr), O Mykhaylov (Nirg.) Preksev (Turkmenistan), S Pietikosac (Yug), B Rücker (Ger) and Z Varl (Hur) 596; equal 20, Xarıyun Chen (Chure), T Czerwinsie (Pol), A Krasłowski (Pul), Si Koch (Switz), G Meksirrovac (Tur), and B Polak (Ist) 594; equal 20, Xarıyun Chen (Chure), J Horn (SA), G Stairk (Ist) and A Zumbach (Switz) 593; equal 30, M Bury (Fr), M Dion (Can), N Kurta (Japan), G Nekhare (Belo), H Slemsang, (Nor) and E Untagrafit (US) 592; equal 30, Yurng-chul Che (Shor), N P Hasikotel (Rus) and S Peterson (N2) 591; equal 30, Yurng-chul Che (Shor), N P Hasikotel (Rus) and S Peterson (N2) 591; equal 30, R Cheasat (Fr), T Germmel (Den 1914), A Charles (Ph. 1915), A Charles (

## FINAL: 1, C Kiess (Ger) 704 8; S Beliast (Kaz) 703.3; 3, J Gond (Slovaka) 701.9.

Softball Round-robin

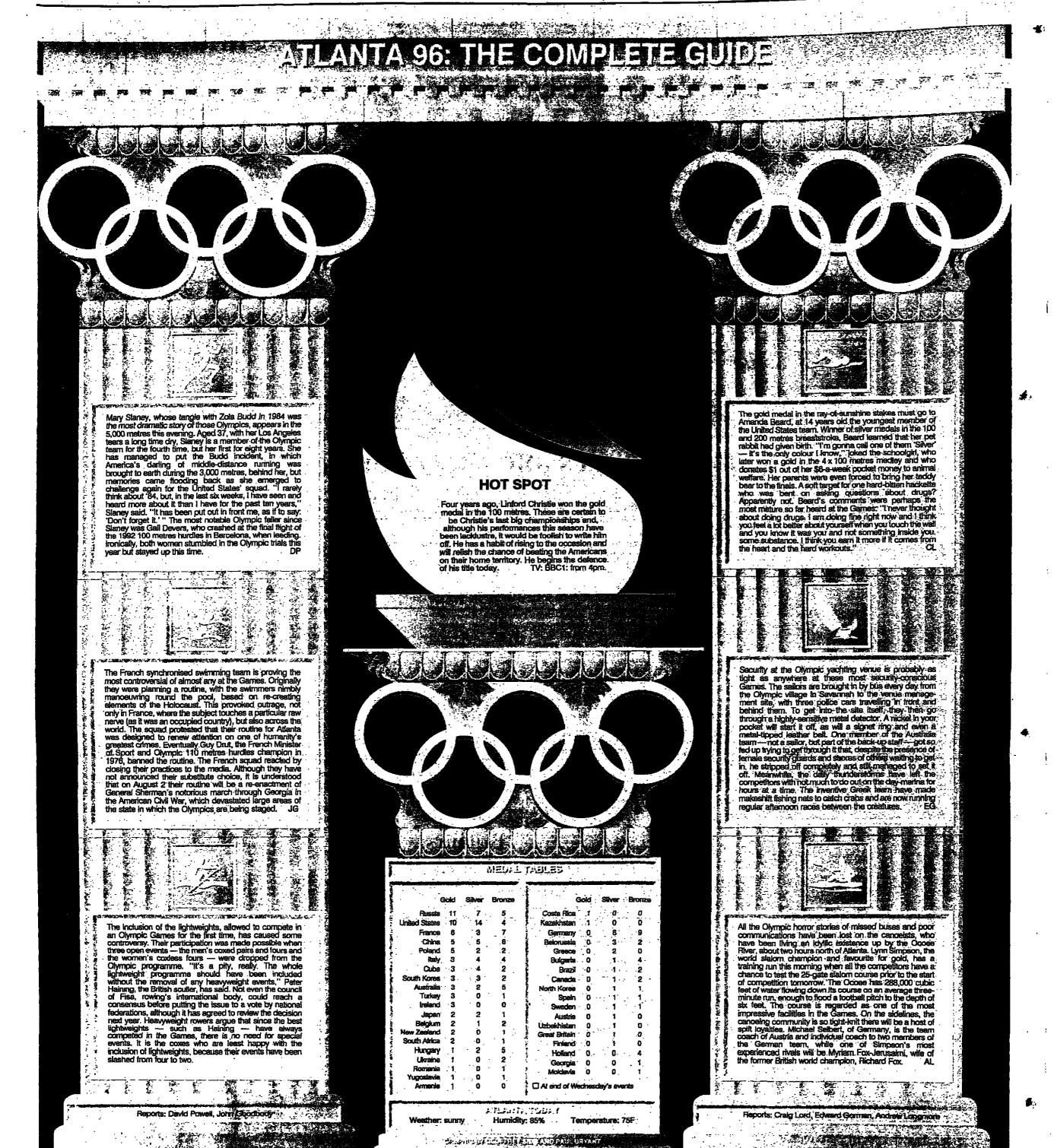
## China 8 Hohard 0 Swimming Men's 50m freestyle

Men's 50m freestyle

HEATS (tastest eight quality for final): Heat one: 1, W Laurence (Dom R) 27 88-sec; 2, M Nazmi (Math) 28 37, 3, R Maistosso (Congo): 30 00 Heat here: 1, K Rivera (LS VI) 24 52.2, H Hinds (Rietherlands Amiles): 24 62; 3, Huang Chi-h'rung (Lawan): 24 63; 3, A Carela (Para): 24 91; 5, M Coller (SLaone): 34 21 Heatt three: 1, N Tongue (Not): 23 73, 2, A Li (HN): 23 77; 3, M Cazmicouc (Moldi 27 8, 4, D Bollinger (Gust): 29 97; 5, K Berberogiu (Tur): 24 37, 8, T Kerekjarto (Hun): 23 78, 4, D Bollinger (Gust): 29 97; 5, K Berberogiu (Tur): 24 37, 8, T Kerekjarto (Hun): 24 67; 7, Jul Wei Sing (Sing): 26.04; 8, E Guiyev (Azer): 25 28, Heatt lour: 1, Y Matsushins (Japan): 25 60; equal: 2, S Bes (Alg.) and J Blomowati (Fin): 23 61, 4, R Nactuayev (Ltb): 23 93; 5, T Zhinton (Egypt): 24 02; 6, S Rivler (trodas: 24 15, 7, A Acrosa (Por): 24 77; 8, V Vasalev (Fiv): 24 34; 4, H Legauli (Car): 23 63; 5, P T Imdiscle (Por): 23 73, 6, R Bera (Indo): 23 38; 7, N O'Harefules (Con): 23 53; 5, S Bortsenbor (Roz): 34 03, 4, 6, J Benavides (Sp): 23 36; 7, N CHarefules: 15; 23 29; 5, B Kitaerowski (Por): 23 35; 6, B Bera (Brio): 23 29; 5, B Kitaerowski (Por): 23 34, 6, J Benavides: (Sp): 23 36; 7, V Landstrom (Swe): 23, 47; 8, G Gudoto: (Gr): 23 55; Heatt saver: 1, Jang Chengi (Chinal: 225; 5, equal: 3, S Bortsenbor (Roz): 34 15; 6, Kitaerowski (Roy): 23 36; 7, V Predixi (Ros): 23 28; 4, R Guspent (Mn): 22 58; 7, V Rasov (Ur): 22 77; 6, C Kaltayan (Fr): 22 83; 7, V Predixi (Ros): 22 28; 2, D For (Ros): 22 28; 2, M Auray (Ben): 27 54; 5, C Ruhyeruch (Belo): 23 12; 8, Y Bruck (Bri 23 22): 20 D For (Ros): 23 26; 20 00m; 23 21; 8, Y Bruck (Bri 23 22): 20 D For (Ros): 23 29; 20 00m; 23 21; 8, Y Bruck (Bri 23 22): 20 00m; 24 20 20; 23 22; 20 00m; 24 20 20; 24 20; 25 2

Women's 200m backstroke
HEATS (lastest eight quality for tittel) Heat
one: 1, M Grozdenic (Yugi 2mn 20 65sec, 2,
P Miropaphal (Ther) 221 62, 3, D Kvesc
(Bosna) 223 78 Heat two: 1, J Hosard
(Can) 2.1725, 2 A Kolvisto (Fin) 2.19 58, 3, P
Chanes (For) 2.20 49, 4, G Thomson (Phi)
2.21,36, 5, 4 kaptou (Gr) 2.22 83, 6, Ln ChiChen (Tabwan) 2.24 50 Heat three: 1, N
Zhhenevshoya (Rus) 2.13 32, 2, L Vigarani
(ii) 2.13 58, 3, B Botstord (US) 2.14 16, equal
4, H Ricardo (Fri) and Lee Changha (S Noi)
2.14.18; 6, I Burczyk (Pol) 2.16 91, 7, I Mena
(so) 2.18.72, 8, Wu Yarryan (China) 2.20 89
Heat four: 1, W Hedgepeth (US) 2.11 63; 2, A
Scholz (Gen) 2.12 73, 3, M Naskeo (Japan)
2.12 92, 4, C Cassaru (Fon) 2.15 59, 5, M
knin (SA) 2.15 99; 6, M Jacobsson (Den)
2.16 08, 7, N Savernoon (Aus), 2.16 71, 8, Y
Gervy (Bel) 2.18, 20, Fund (Gen) 2.15 58, 3, A
Smillo (MZ) 2.13,74; 4, Chen Yan (China)
2.14 74; 5, M Nakemra (Japan) 2.15,05, 6, 3
Deskins (G8) 2.15 12, 7, K Pwontona (Cz)
2.18.20; 8, L Lipscombe (NZ), 2.19.54. Women's 200m backstroke

Volleyball Men's preliminary round POOL A: Argentina bi Bulgana 15-10, 15-8, 11-15, 15-10



## TODAY AT THE GAMES

All times BST

ATHLETICS: 20km walk (13.00); men's high jump, qualifying (14.00); women's 100m, first round (15.00); men's shot, qualifying (15.05); men's 100m, first round (18.00); women's 400m, first round (17.00); women's 2x-elin, qualifying (21.30 and 23.00); women's 800m, heats (22.00); women's 100m, second round (23.05); men's triple jump, qualifying (23.10); men's 100m, second round (23.35); men's 400m, first round (00.00); women's 5,000m, heats (00.50); men's shot, final (01.00); men's 10,000m, heats (02.15).

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BADMINTON: Men's singles, third round (14.00 and 19.00); women's singles, second (14.00) and third (19.00 and 01.00) rounds; mixed doubles, first round (01.00). BASKETBALL: Men's preliminary round: Pool A: Angola v Lithuania (17.00); Argentina v Croatia (01.00); United States v China (03.00) Pool B: Puerto Rico v Australia (15.00); South Korea v Greece (20.00); Brazil v Yugoslavia BEACH VOLLEYBALL: Men's and women's (15.00 and 19.30).

BOXING: Light-flyweight, lightweight and middleweight, second round (18.30 and 01.00) CYCLING: Men: Team pursuit, qualifying (13.30) and quarier-finals (16.50); sprint, third round (15.45) and repechages (16.30). Women: Sprint, quarter-finals (15.30) and semi-finals (17.20). individual pursuit, quarter-finals (18.55).

DIVING: Women's platform, preliminaries (20.00) EQUESTRIANISM: Three-day event: individual jumping (final discipline, 16 00).

HANDBALL: Women's preliminary round: Pool A: Hungary v China (1500), Denmark v United States

(19.30). Pool B: Norway v Angola (17.00); South Korea v

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Germany (21.30); HOCKEY: Men's prefiminary round: Pool A: Germany v Argentina (14.00): Pakistan v India (22.30), Spalin v United States (01.00): Women's round-robin: United States v Germany (22.30); Australia v Great Brit JUDO: Men's under 60kg and women's under 48kg, preliminaries (14:30) and 30), finels (20:00).

ROWING: Men: Semi-finals: Lightweight double sculls (14.00); lightweight coxless fours (14.40); quadruple sculls (15.00). Women: Semi-finals: Lightweight double

SHOOTING: Men: 10-metre running target, preliminaries (14:00) and finel (19:30); skeet, preliminaries (15:00). Women: Sport pistol, precision qualifying (13:30), rapid fire qualifying (15:00) and precision final (17:00); SOFTBALL: Round-robin: Japan v Puerto Rico (14:00); United States v Australia (16:30); Canada v Holland (23:30); China v Taiwan (02:00).

SWIMMING: Heats at 15.05 for evening finals. Finals: Men: 200m backstroke (00.55); 1,500m freestyle (01.43); 4 x 100m medley relay (02.20). Women: 200m butterfly (00.33); 50m freestyle (01.18). TABLE TENNIS: Men's singles, round-robin (15.00 and 01.00); women's singles, round-robin (15.00); women's cloubles, quarter-finals (00.00). TENNIS: Men's and women's singles, second round and men's end women's doubles, first round (15.00); VOLLEYBALL: Women's preliminary round: Pool A: Holland v South Kores (17.30); China v Ukraine (21.00); United States v Jepan (00.30), Pool B: Russia v Peru (15.00); Germany v Cuba (23.30); Canada v Brazil (03.00). WATER POLO: Quarter-finals (20.00, 21.40, 23.20 and 03.00).

os.00).
WEIGHTLIFTING: Under 83kg: Group B (17:30) and group A (final, 21:00).
YACHTING: Two races to be salled in each class: men's and women's Mistral, Soling, Tomado (18:00).

WHEN TO WATCH ON TELEVISION

7.0-9.0em Olympic Breaktast, 9.05em-12.35pm Olympic Grandstand, 1.40-5.35pm Olympic Grandstand (with cricket from Lord's), 7.0-8.30pm The Essential Olympica 10.15pm-4.25am Olympic

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5.35-7.0pm Clympic Grandstand (after close of play at Lord's), 8.30-10.15pm Clympic Grandstand, 1.0-2.0em Clympic Grandstand;

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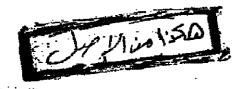
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**OLYMPIC GAMES** 

# Angry Scherbo left to count cost of judges' discretion

FROM DAVID MILLER IN ATLANTA

cry is as old as sport. It is no different in the Olympic Games - worst of all, perhaps, in those arbitrarily-judged spellbinders, figure skating and gymnastics. The loudest sound at the Georgia Dome in the men's individual all-round gymnastics competi tion was Vitalyi Scherbo's opinion of the judges.

The Belorussian, who won six gold medals at the last Games when competing for the Unified Team, was grumbling round by round, as much as anything about what he regarded as unfairly low marks for Alexei Nemov, the young Russian, in his duel with Xiaoshuang Li, the even-

with Xiaosnuang Li, ine even-iual champion, China's first. A margin of only 0.049 points separated Nemov and Li, which any neutral, rational observer might think to be impossibly fine for judgment by the naked eye in a total, for Li. of 58.423 - the thirdsmallest margin since the competition's inception in 1900 at Paris. As well to try counting, while in motion, the competitors' eyelashes.

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A Russian has a strange way of condensing untold emotion within an expressionless face. Scherbo, a White Russian, wore a look that could kill. After a traumatic eight months, during which his wife had nearly died in a car crash at their new home in Pennsylvania, he was angry: at his own failure and that Nemov, his former Soviet colleague, had not defeated Li, of whose ability he has a critical opinion.

Asked what his wife, Irina, who persuaded him to continue preparing for the Games after her accident, would think of his bronze medal. Scherbo replied tartly: "She expected

OH! OH! What a referee! The the gold. We don't know the colour of other medals." Furthermore, he promised that when he retires, he will join the technical commission of the International Gymnastics Federation "and teach them how to judge". He considered



Nemov had been seriously under-scored in his final floor exercise, when Li was simultaneously marked eight-tenths better on the high bar. There had been tension

between Scherbo and Li ever since the 22-year-old Chinese, having beaten Scherbo in the world championships last year in Japan, had wondered out loud whether his title was worthy, in the absence there of Nemov. He regarded Scherbo as "weak on rings — and an all-round champion must excel in all six disciplines". Whatever the technique of Li, a bare 5ft 3in, Scherbo, who competes at every moment with the air of one giving an exhibition, considers him lacking in style.

In spite of questionable, subjective marking, the fluctuation of placing, event by event, made compulsive viewing. After the first discipline,

the pommel horse for Nemov and Scherbo, floor for Li and his colleague, Jinjing Zhang, the order was Nemov first, Scherbo sixth, Li fifth and Zhang eighth. In the next round, Scherbo's performance on rings, substantiating Li's comments, saw him slip to eleventh, while Li and Zhang, on parallel bars, had climbed to second and third.

Slowly. Scherbo began to haul himself back into contention: sixth, then fourth, then third after vault, parallel bars and high bar. Meanwhile, a 9.775 on rings by Li, explosive in his somersaults and twists. had taken the lead over the imposing Nemov.

In the fifth rotation, a superb high-bar display by Nemov, revolving spectacu-larly with the release-andregain grip that is so difficult and dangerous, regained the lead by 0.038 with 9.800, his highest mark of the evening, against Li's relatively poor 9.650 on parallel bars. At these margins, perhaps the judges themselves should get medals

for judging. To the climax. Scherbo, with his best mark of 9.787 on the high bar, was nonetheless out of reach of gold and silver, never mind a superb floor exercise, floating as though on a cushion of mercury. The crowd, and clearly he, thought his mark of 9.762 an insult.

The contest was between Nemov and Li. Li went through his routine on the parallel bars with the precision of a grocer slicing ham. Nemov, on the floor, missed a twist, tried to improvise and reintroduce it, but missed a final step. Scherbo was grandly condescending towards the winner. "He's improved," the deposed champion said. "He



Redgrave and Pinsent cross the line first in their semi-final of the coxless pairs on Lake Lanier yesterday. Photograph: Marc Aspland

# Redgrave and Pinsent remain on course

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL

GREAT Britain crews produced inspirational perfor-mances in the first day of semi-finals at Lake Lanier yesterday, winning three places in the finals, which take place on Saturday.

Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent, the defending coxless pairs champions, led the charge with a first place in their semi-final. The American media had built up the prospects of their rivals from the United States, Michael Peterson and Jonathan Holland, and the locals duly blasted off, to the crowd's delight, to lead Britain over the first half of the race.

The British pair, rowing at a lower rate, looked calm, however, and then pushed in a

third quarter in Imin 43sec to take the lead at the 1,500 metre mark; the broken Americans finished fourth.

The Britons were happier than they had been after their first-round race. We were influenced by the crews around us then," Pinsent said. We rowed the race we wanted to today without expending too much energy."

Redgrave agreed. "If we had gone off to race the USA, we might have been in the B final with them," he said. Australia, winners of the other semifinal, look more threatening than earlier in the season. "It is a serious business now." Redgrave added. "All the playing has been done." Great Britain's 1992 coxed

pair Olympic champions. Greg and Jonny Searle, then

took centre stage in the coxless fours with Rupert Obholzer and Tim Foster and, after a blistering first 500 metres in which the British never rated

below 40 strokes per minute. they were fourth with less than a length covering all six crews. At halfway, Romania led, but Britain were second, rowing economically, and, like the pair, they pushed in the third quarter to take pole position and win the race with a final flourish, rating at 4212. The performance suggests

that they will be capable of living with the best in the event, France pipping Italy,

South Africa pounce on slips

the world champions, and Australia, the Olympic champions, in the fractionally faster other semi-final. Tim Foster summed up the thoughts of many when he said: "It could be any one of six on Saturday. Winning the semi-final means nothing. Everyone starts

equal in the final." The performances of Britain's established stars were matched by the rising star. Guin Batten, in the women's sculls. Batten, not overawed by "the best field I have ever raced in", produced one of her best starts, but was lying in fifth place at 500 metres.

She passed Liu, from China, by halfway, but was well adrift of the vital third place. She moved up a little by 1,500 meters and was overlapping Ruth Davidon, of the United

States, but Davidon rallied and moved away when, 300 metres from home, Batten passed Peter Haining, her training partner, on the way to

"Guin, you can do it They are fading," came a shout. Batten believed it and overtook Elisabeta Lipa, of Roma-nia, the 1992 Olympic champion, to take third place and book an appearance in the Olympic final.

Unfortunately, Haining, having proved Batten's inspiration, could not continue the British run of success and finally succumbed to heavier opponents in his semi-final, again into an unwanted headwind. He will race in the B final, as will Philippa Cross and Kate Mackenzie in the women's coxless pairs.

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**Organisers** 

## Johnson spares Britain's blushes

By Sydney Friskin

THE Great Britain women's hockey team dropped a precious point in the Olympic round-robin tournament yes-terday, being held to a 2-2 draw by Spain in a game of changing fortunes. It was a match that Britain should have won comfortably, having

secured the territorial advan-

tage and created many

opportunities. Spain had lost all three of their previous matches, yet, with barely four minutes to go. they were in sight of victory. Only then did a goal from a short corner by Kathy Johnson spare Britain's blushes.

The Spaniards had choked



the middle of the field and checked the flow of Britain's attacks, but an early offensive earned a rich reward. Sue Fraser converting their second short corner with a strong hit in the eighteenth minute. A stick save by Johnson de-prived the Spanairds of a reply from a short corner two

minutes later. Two minutes after that, though. Spain were awarded another short corner, from which Dorado scored. Britain immediately called on three substitutes - Christine Cook, Tina Cullen and Mandy Nicholls - all of whom set a lively pace.



British players celebrate

Vine tune-in recommended

ered the dark horses of the Olympic men's hockey tournament, let a 3-1 lead against South Africa slip in the final minutes and were held to a 3-3

draw yesterday.
Both sides remain without a win after three matches, but South Africa's third draw enabled them to join the group leaders, Holland and Austra-

South Africa, newcomers to Olympic hockey, dominated the game only in the early and final minutes. South Korea led I-O at half-time from a 27thminute penalty corner goal by Park Shin-heum, their most skilful midfield player. They should have been further ahead, but missed three or

By Our Sports Staff

lead in the 51st minute with another penalty corner goal, scored by the full back, Shin Seok-kyu. Four minutes later, Gregory Nicol reduced South Korea's lead from a corner, but, on the hour, the Asian champions restored a twogoal margin with a tap-in by Kim Young-kyu.

Korea, passing too short in the closing minutes, presented South Africa with opportunities to attack. The African champions saved the game with a penalty stroke conversion by William Fulton in the 66th minute and another penalty corner goal by Nicol with two minutes remaining.

Hundreds of Asian expatriates from across the United

SOUTH Korea, the Asian four chances in open play. States have descended on Atbetween India and Pakistan. The Clark Atlanta University campus, the Olympic hockey venue, is is the focus for hordes of Indians and Pakistanis seeking tickets for the

> Touts were selling \$22 tickets for \$100 after Games officials said the match at the 15,000-capacity Morris Brown College was sold out in June. The demand is heavy, but

we just don't have tickets", Roger Caruth, the press officer at the University, said. "No one anticipated this."

The rival camps appeared cool about the key encounter, which would throw the loser out of the race for semi-final

## confronted by burning problem AS THE athletics events open

in the Olympic stadium today, the Atlanta Games organisers are faced with another headache. It concerns the flame, brought from Greece at great expense and supposed to burn brightly for the duration of

As if the transport chaos and computer difficulties have not presented the organising committee with enough problems, it tran-spires that, since being lit, memorably, by Muhammad Ali last Friday night, the outside of the bowl in which the flame is housed has begun to burn and the paint has peeled away. Poor quality flame resistant has been used on the coating of the bowl, designed By Siah Amarjani, an Iranian-born American.

## **Australians shine** in Star clashes

FROM EDWARD GORMAN IN SAVANNAH

COLIN BEASHEL and David Giles, of Australia, have put together what may turn out to be a decisive opening four races in the Star class with three wins and an eleventh place, to lead from Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira, the experienced Brazilians.

Beashel, a former 5.5 metre and International Etchells world champion, who played a crucial part in the Australian victory in the America's Cup in 1983, when he was John Bertrand's mainsheet trimmer, is no stranger to Olympic Star sailing, having competed in the last three Games. finishing seventh in the last

With a net score after four races of just three points. Beashel has a useful lead over Grael, another Olympic veteran who won bronze in the class in Seoul, who has nine points. A point further back are the defending gold medal-winners from the United States, Mark Reynolds and Hal Haenel.

In the fourth race on Wednesday. Beashel recovered from a moderate start in light, shifty winds and lumpy seas with the threat of thunderstorms looming. Reynolds led initially, with Csaba Haranghy, of Hungary, also having a good start. Yet Peashel picked up a shift on the left and rounded the windward mark lisec ahead of David Burrows, of Ireland. With only osec seperating the next six boats and a lot of

jostling at the mark, Beashel,

with clear air, was able to first beat to finish fifteenth.

extend his lead. He finished between 20 and 30 boat-lengths ahead of Michael Hestback, of Denmark, with Anastasios Boudouris, of Greece, third. Although there are still a possible seven races to go. Beashel has aiready established a psychological hold on the fleet.

Reynolds, the favourite, whose gold in Barcelona followed a silver in Seoul behind Mike McIntyre and Bryn



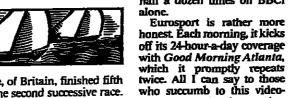
Vaile, of Britain, finished fifth for the second successive race. He acknowledged that Beashel was starting to build a strong position, but remains confident of his chances of

defending his title. Glyn Charles and George Skuodas, the British pairing, finished seventeenth and are unlikely to recover. Nevertheless, the Great Britain team has had a good start to the regatta, with medal chances in Ainslie has recovered from a poor start in the Lasers to be fifth overall. Shirley Robertson won the fourth race in the Europe fleet to be third overall. Penny Wilson, in the women's windsurfing, is sixth and Andy Beadsworth in the Solings, is lying third. John Merricks and lan Walker in the 470s had a horrible start. losing out to a big shift on the

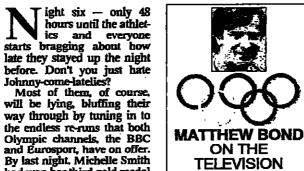
for weighty entertainment ight six — only 48 hours until the athletics and everyone starts bragging about how late they stayed up the night before. Don't you just hate

short corner.

way through by tuning in to the endless re-runs that both Olympic channels, the BBC and Eurosport, have on offer. By last night, Michelle Smith had won her third gold medal half a dozen times on BBC! half a dozen times on BBCl



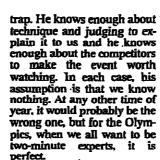
least five classes. Ben



MARATHON Vine on weightlifting is wonderful, though. Those who know about the sport may hate him, but, for those of us who pass through once every four years, he is ideal. He explains, he educates and taped temptation is ... what he always entertains. His sensible people you are. Heresy, of course. Get a grip, get another cup of coffee speciality could be described as the Johnny Morris school of commentary, putting words in the mouths of those unable

and get something less com-fortable to sit on. Remember, to answer back. "My goodness," he said during the 76kg class on Wednesday night as a Bulgarwe're doing this the hard way. Yet, it needn't be that hard. For those who are flagging, might I recommend 30 minian coach engaged his charge utes or so of David Vine and in a strange pre-lift headlock. his weightlifters. The BBC has 50 commentators in Attalk about preparation. I thought he was going to pull his ears off." A few minutes lanta. Many of them are later, he spotted a Greek familiar voices, but many of coach animatedly delivering a them are cropping up in few home truths. "All that is unfamiliar places. Greek for 'what do you think

The familiarity of the voice is supposed to attract the browsing viewer. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't Barry Davies at the gymnastics I have grown used to, but Clive Tyldesley doing basketball ... well, it doesn't seem right.



done an excellent job of remembering to explain the basic rules of each Olympic sport. The computer simula-tion of gymnastics may leave me feeling seasick, but at least I understand what Barry Davies is talking about now — except when he starts quoting Browning.

to this admirable mission to explain is dressage, where Michael Tucker and Lorna Clarke appear to have given up all attempts to explain what is going on.

you're doing out there.' " If he just clowned around, you would quickly weary of him, but Vine, veteran of It's a Knockout, A Question of Sport and umpteen seasons of Ski Sunday, has been around for gold." "Ŏh, good," said Des. far too long to fall into that

By and large, the BBC has

Nigel Starmer-Smith pro-vided a similarly helpful start-er pack for hockey, while on Wednesday night Hugh Porter managed to explain the mysteries of follow-my-leader cycle sprints in one sentence. Why had no one mentioned slipstreaming before?

The one notable exception

Des Lynam, however, is on to them. "Concentrate now," he said at the beginning of a highlights segment which concluded with Tucker at last expressing a sentiment that we could all understand "Britain will be going all out

ī5-6, 17-15.

## make progress By Our Sports Staff DARREN HALL, the only anne Muggeridge, missed two game points at 10-8 in the second game of her first-round

Hall and Knowles

Briton with an outside hope of a badminton singles medal, suggested he may be ready for one of the last significant challenges of a long career when he outplayed Ron Michels, of Holland, in his opening match. Hall, 30, conceded only

eight points as he earned himself a second-round match with Lee Kwang Jin, the No 5 seed, from South Korea, a hurdle that can be considered difficult but not impossible. "I am very pleased. I was a bit nervous to start with, though I'm glad to have got a

good match under my belt," the former European champion, from Essex, said. He was joined in the second round by Peter Knowles, the British No 2, but the Kent player struggled to overcome the China-born champion.

Kevin Han, representing the United States, 2-15, 15-10, 15-7. Knowles had to push hard in the second game to avoid danger, although he now has a better chance than Hall of further progress. His next opponent, Jens Olsson, the Swedan No I, had to struggle to survive against the littleknown Kenneth Erichsen, from Guatemala.

Erichsen, who based himself at Wimbledon for six months and lived with the former English national champion, Anders Nielsen, looked to have improved notably and led 8-6 in the final game before going down 12-15,

Britain's No I woman, Jo-

match against the leading Russian, Elena Rybkina, and lost 11-6, 12-10. Rybkina, 32, the only mother playing top-class badminton, established her credentials in February with two wins in Prague that took her country into the world team finals. She has always struggled through lack of funds but yesterday showed



that her spirit in adversity suited the Olympic context. "It was very difficult," Rybkina said, "but I liked the way she played and I will try to do even better next time."
That next time will be against the Japanese No l, Hisako

There was an encouraging success in the women's singles for the first non-English Briton to get to the Olympics. Kelly Morgan, of Wales, was too steady for a nervous-looking Yang Shong, the Commonwealth bronze medalwinner, from Australia, and was only briefly delayed in the second game before winning

11-1, 11-5 The best hopes of a first British Olympic medal in badminton lie with the efforts of Julie Bradbury, Joanne Wright, Simon Archer and Chris Hunt in the doubles events, which start today.

# Women waiting

Weightlifting: Female weightlifters could be admitted to the next Olympics if the sport's governing body gets its way. "Women's weightlifting has progressed dynamically in the last few years," Tamas Ajan, secretary general of the International Weightlifting Federation, said, "I think we have a good chance [of competing in Sydney| because the International Olympic Committee is trying to get the proportion of female athletes over 30 per cent," he said.

## Dream goes on

Basketball: The United States Dream Team" reached the quarter-finals of the basketball with a 104-82 victory over Lithuania, but it was the narrowest margin of victory ever recorded by the National Basketball Association (NBA) all-stars at the Olympics. At Barcelona, in 1992, they won by an average of 43.8 points a game. The average in Atlanta has been 27 points.

## **Battling Barrett** Boxing: Francis Barrett, a gypsy from Ireland, recorded

the most comprehensive victory in the boxing so far when he out-pointed Zely Ferreria, a light-welterweight from Brazil, 32-7 on Wednesday night. "The thing with computer scores is that you don't know whether you are ahead or behind," Barrett, 19, said, "so I just kept going."



# Golden oldies out for one more spin

FROM DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN ATLANTA

AS THE athletics begins today, the Olympic motto appears somewhat dated. 'Swifter, higher, stronger," it says. Swifter, higher, stronger, older might be more appropriate as the thirtysomethings, even the fortysomethings, seek to stretch the boundaries of age.

Athletes who have been close to our hearts for a decade or more — Linford Christie, Mary Slaney. Merlene Ottey, Carl Lewis, Johnny Gray are in contention for a place on the podium, perhaps the top step. There are others, too: Jackie Joyner-Kersee, Tessa Sanderson, Mike Conley. Sergey Bubka, Sandra Farm-er-Patrick.

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Ever since Ruddles

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track and field, the venue will die young. The Olympic stadi-um, which seats 83,000 and cost \$230 million (£150 million) to build, is to be turned into a baseball stadium. Only four meetings will have been held there: a grand prix, the United States Olympic trials, the Olympics and the Para-lympics. The world's fastest track is going to disappear fast, but not, one hopes, before it has seen a few world

Michael Johnson has already set a 200 metres world lighting up the United States trials last month, and there could be several more before the nine days of action is are over. The men's sprints will be the main target area, with the 100. 200. 400. 110 metres hurdles and two relays all

WORD WATCHING

(a) A buck in its second year, having straight unbranched horns. A pricket's sister is a female fallow deer in its second year. Apparently from the medieval Anglo-Latin prickettus, the English prick with the Latin suffix ettus. "At the second year the

(b) A term in New Zealand and Australian rugby union and rugby league for the players stationed between the scrum half and the outside centre. The first five-eighth is the stand-off half.

and the tactical leader of the cavalry, except when playing for

England, he just kicks. "I place no value at all on the fact that they indulged in five-eighths, and multiplied the number of potential attackers immediately in the rear of the scrummage."

(a) A young salmon before it becomes a smolt; distinguished by

the parallel transverse bars on its side. Of Scottish origin, derivation unknown. Smollett. Ode to Leven-Water, 1771: "The

scaly broad! In myriads cleave thy crystal flood! The salmon, monarch of the tide. The ruthless pike, intent on war.! The

(c) An obsolescent term in hockey: the procedure of putting the ball in play by two players, one from each side, who strike with

their sticks, first the ground then their opponent's stick, three times, after which the ball is in play. From the word for the scrimmage in Eton football or the Field Game. "West's centre forward put the ball into the net almost before South had moved from the bully."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

However, the sprinter's gain is the distance runner's loss. As Slaney said: "It is more a sprint track than a middle-distance track. It may take away something from the finals of the middledistance events." It is the hardest track that

the manufacturer. Mondo, has made, with a shock absorption rating of 35.6 per cent, just inside the minimum 35 per cent. Michael DiNatale, Mondo's national sales manager, suspects it may cause leg cramps on record on it, his 19.66sec athletes not used to it, because softer tracks tend not to generate such energy back to the muscles

John Smith, who coached Kevin Young and Quincy Watts to Olympic gold med-als in 1992, said: "It is probably because the body is asked to do some different. things. The technology of the track is probably ahead of

what we are used to." A further indicator of life in the track is that sprinters are not using as many strides. In the women's 100 metres at the trials. Torrence, the world champion, took one strider fewer (492) than in her winning race at the 1995 national championships. Gail Devers. the Olympic 100 metres champion, took one fewer

(4812) than she does normally. The first day brings the first two rounds of the men's and women's 100 metres. While Torrence tries for an Olympic gold in her home town, with Devers, a fellow American, her most likely challenger, the United States does not possess its usual strength in the men's 100 metres. It would take the formbook to be overturned to deny Frankie Fredericks victory for Namibia and, of those capable of succeeding. Ato Boldon, from Trinidad,

seems the most likely. Fredericks was denied the boyhood Olympic dream



because his homeland was part of South Africa at a time when it was ostracised from international sport. More Lewis than Christie in manner. Fredericks was disappointed that the television cameras at the opening ceremony did not pick up the Namibia flag and is determined to see it fly at the medal ceremonies for the 100 and 200 big countries," he said. "The Olympics should be about the small countries as well. I want to get people to look at their atlas and see where Namibia is. That is what I try to do with

my running."
If form holds, and Fredericks wins the 100 metres



Fredericks: favourite

tomorrow, followed by a Michael Johnson victory in the 400 metres on Monday, their inevitable meeting in the 200 metres final on Thursday will offer 20 seconds of rare

anticipation. The state of Georgia has stopped all executions during the Olympics, so the worst punishment in town is running a marathon. Indeed, when the American 10,000 metres trial was held here, one runner. Reuben Reina, described it as a death march".

The heat, humidity and undulating course are such that caution has been urged and the message heeded by Uta Pippig, the women's race favourite. "It will be a tactical race," she said.

While the distance runners sweat pounds to gain six

Tony Jarrett (110 metres hurdles). Roger Black (400 metres). Liz McColgan (marathon) and Christie. Others with chances are Steve Backley (javelin), Ashia Han-

Britain may be labouring

under a false illusion: some

talk of the athletes rescuing

in the medals table, but the

dispassionate view is that they

will do well to avoid Britain's

Jonathan Edwards, who

competes in the triple jump

qualifying round today, and

the men's 4 x 400 metres team

appear to be Britain's only

bankers, though there are five probables: Colin Jackson and

worst haul since the solitary

bronze of 1976.

Great Britain from obscurity

sen (triple jump). Kelly Holmes (800 and 1,500 metres). Denise Lewis (heptathlon) and Sally Gunnell

(400 metres hurdles). ounces (the weight of a medal),.

E OLYMPIC STATISTICS

100 metres

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28:21.40 J Brown, 28:28.31 P Evens. BEST BRITISH PERFORMANCE: Silver: M McLeod (1984).

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Ger) 1998. British: 21 68m (G Capes) 1990
Olympic: 22 47m (Immermann)
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(Yug): 27 25 J Godins (US): 21 23 R
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PEST BRITISH PERFORMANCE: Silver: D
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BEST BRITISH PERFORMANCE: Gold: ☐ Compiled by Stan Greenberg

RADIO CHOICE

# Courting the legal eagle

I expect that tonight's edition of Marcel Berlins's legal affairs magazine will make reference, specific rather than passing, to the American television courtroom drama Murder One. The serial has treat the levision courtroom drama Murder One. itself been in the dock recently. This was because the BBC decided to delay showing the serial's final episodes until three weeks after the Olympics. Fans were outraged and the decision was amended. In the last of the present series of Law In Action, Berlins will examine the runaway success of courtroom dramas, actual and fictional, on television and the stage. If fictional, is verisimilitude enough? Will the

One for the Pot. Radio 4 (FM), 12.25pm.

Being both expert cook and wildlife buff, Lionel Kelleway is a madeto-measure choice to present this series. A golden eagle called James swoops on a fleeing hare on the Scottish grouse moors. The victim is swoops on a fleeing hare on the Scottish grouse moors. The vicinitis skinned and prepared by Kelleway, turned into jugged hare in a farmyard kitchen and eaten by Kelleway and friends to a chorus of "umrams" and "ahhhs". Gastronomic affairs taken care of, the question of ethics crops up; whether to condone the bloodsport or condemn it. A consensus is duly arrived at and, the Scotch whisky and red wine that is used in cooking the hare having brought an integrity of the consensus glasses are raised in a toast to both interior glow to the non-animals, glasses are raised in a toast to both

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CLASSIC FM

4.00am Mark Griffiths 6.00 Mile Read

9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00 Margaret Howard 2.00pm Concerto 3.00 Jamie Crick

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RADIO 2

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RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Olympic Breakdast Programme 8.35 The Magazine 12.00 Midday with Mair 2.00 Magazine 12.00 Midday with Mair 2.00 Inverdale's Olympics. The morning's news from Atlanta incl athletics, eventing, swimming, cycling, hockey and rowing. Plus cricket from Lord's 6.00 Nationwide 7.00 Olympic News Extra, incl at 7.20 Sports and Olympic Roundup 7.45 Atlanta Live, with Sybil Roscoe and fan Payne 10.00 Night Extra, with Valerie Sanderson 11.05am Inverdale's Olympics, incl swimming. Great Britain v. Australia and athletics. Great Britain v Australia and athletics 3.05 Up All Night

TALK RADIO

6.30am Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chis-holm 1.00pm Anna Reebum 3.00 Tommy Boyd 5.00 Peter Deeley 7.00 Sport 10.00 Mike Allen 1.00em Mike Dickin

6.00am On Air. With Andrew McGregor. Trad (Corsican chant: Laeta devote); Brahms (Symphony No 2 in D); Moeran (Serenade in G): Chopin (Etudes, Op 10 Nos 10-12); Hindemith (Cello

Morning Collection with Paul Gambaccini. Fauré/Messager (Souverir de Bayreuth): Britten (Variations on a Theme of Frank Bridge); Brahms (Feldeinsamker), Op. 50 8 No. 2, Auf dem Son Co. 50 86 No 2; Auf dem See, Op 59 No 2); Beethoven (Piano

Sonata in E. Op 109)
10.00 Musical Encounters. Proms
Artist of the Week: Andras
Schiff, piano. Bach (Concerto
in F, BWV 1057) 10.15 Schumann (Symphony No 4 in D minor); Franck (Chorale No 3 in A minor) 11.00 Sibelius (The Wood Nymph): Mozart (Quintet in E flat for

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1.00pm News; Bristol Lunchtime Concert. Another chance to the work of Hungarian composers, Introduced by Chris de Souza. Artur Pizarro, plano. Bartok (Prano Sonata); Kodaty (Dances of the

Marosszek); Liszt (Prano Sonata in B minor) (r)

2.00 The New Europe: City of London Sinfonia Soloists. Mozart (Divertment in F. K253); Bergman (Mana); Berwald (Septet in B flat) (6/6)

3.00 Mining the Archive. Sandy Burnett explores the life of the choristor, conductor, harpsichordist and teacher

George Malcolm. With contributions from Stephen Cleobury, Ian Partridge and Andras Schiff, With music by Britten, Purcell, Haydn, Bach

Sarah Walker 5.15 In Tune, Rossini, transcr Liszt (La Danza); Amold (English Dances): Schubert (String Quartet in C minor, D703,

Quartetisaiz)
7.30 BBC Proms 1996. Live from

the Albert Hall in London. The London Symphony Orchestra, under Mstislav Rostropovich. Under Mister Procuropoven.
Lutoslowski (Novelette);
Britten (Four Sea Interludes;
Passacagita, Peter Grinnes)
8.15 A Hodien Agenda, with
Gerard McBurney (r) 8.35
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(Symphony No 5)

9.35 My Tocher's the Jewel.
Kirsteen McCue listens to
settings of Robert Burns's work by more recent artists and composers (5/5) 10.15 **Hear and Now.** Sarah Walker

introduces a summer special with a performance recorded at last month's Aldeburgh Festival followed by a piece from last week's Cheltenham Festival London Sintonietta. under Markus Stenz, Lindberg (Arena II; Engine). Stephen Montague, sound diffusion, Singcircle, under Gregory

Rose, Stockhausen (Stimmung) 12.00 Composer of the Weekc Haydri (\*) 1.00am Through the Night, with Donald Macleod, Includes 1.00 Leopold I 4.00 Bach, Schubert and Beethoven 5.00

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing incl Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Better Left Unsaid (r) 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs. Eve Arnold (r) 9.45 Feedback 10.00 News: 1955 and All That

10.00 News; 1956 and All That (FM only). To mark the 40th anniversary of the Suez Crisis, the events are recalled through archive recordings, the trusic of the time and the memories of those who lived

through it 10.00 An Act of Worship (LW only) 10.15 On This Day (LW only) nan's Hour 10.50 Test Malch Special: England v Pakistan (LW only), from Lord's 11.30 The Natural History Programme (FM only) 12.00 News; You and Yours (FM

only)
12.25pm One for the Pot (FM only). See Choice
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (FM only) (r)
1.55 Shipping
1.40 Test Match Special (LW

only) 2.00 News; The Classic Serial; The Barchester Chronicles: Dr Thome (FM only). The third in a dramatised series of of Anthony Trollope's books. With John Wood and Leo

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Serie 8.05 In the Dock. Six programmes in which Sue Cameron cross-examines some of Britain's key institutions and professions to see how well they serve us. This week — Teachers 8.50 Law in Action. See Choice

9.15 Letter from America 9.30 Kaleidoscope Feature: Liza. Paul Gambaccini talks to Liza Mirmelli about her career and her choice of music (r) 9.99

10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig. 10.45 Book at Bedtime: The

Merry Muse (10/10) 11.00 Goodness Gracious Me. The last in the series of Britain's first Asian sketch show With Meera Syal, Kutvinder Ghir, Sanjeev Bhaskar, Nitun Sawhney and

Nina Wadia 11.25 Fourth Column 11.45 How Do I Sound? Nan Woodhouse reflects on British prejudice about the way we speak (r) 12.00 News Incl 12.27am Weather

12.30 The Late Book: The Secret World of the Irish Male, by Joe O'Connor (5/5) 12.48

FRECUENCY GUIDE RADIO 1. FM 97.6-99.8. RADIO 2. FM 88.0-90.2. RADIO 3. FM 90.2-82.4. RADIO 4. FM 92.4-94.6; LW 198; MW 720. RADIO 5 LIVE MW 693, 999. WORLD SERVICE MW 648; LW 198 (12.45-5.55am). CLASSIC FM. FM 100-102. VIRGIN RADIO. FM 105.2; MW 1197, 1215. TALK RADIO UK MW 1053, 1089. Television and radio listings compiled by Peter Dear, Ian Hughes, Rosemary Smith, Susan Thomson, Jane Gregory and John McNamara.

## Ruddles County Riddles. No. 9. Worth its Weight in Gold

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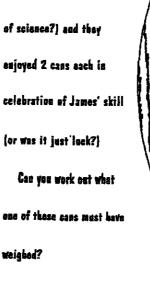
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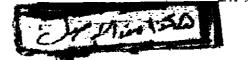
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# Conclusive proof or another ripping yarn?

echnically. I suppose, it must be possible to make a bad documentary about Jack the Ripper, but, hard as I try. I don't think I can remember one. Every couple of years or so I sit in front of the television as the latest theory is advanced and every couple of years I find myself mouthing the same sequence of words: "Yes. Really? Who! Well, I never." Then I don't give it another thought ... until next time.

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So by next week I shall have probably forgotten that Jack the Ripper was in fact Francis Tumblety an Irish American quack doctor with a notorious hatred of women - particularly the fallen variety. It was at about this point in last night's Secret History: The Whitechapel Mur-ders (Channel 4) that I found myself mouthing: "Really?"

I'd already done the "yes" bit. For a programme that promised to cut through the fiction to the forensic facts", it took its time. We had a review of the appalling so-cial conditions in the East End of the 1880s, we had a discussion about the power of the newly burgeoning press and, of course, we had the standard recreations down

foggy, dark alleys, Yes, yes, I shouted -- get on with it. They did. Quickly and efficiently. David Jessel outlined the latest lot of evidence for a post-dated prosecu-tion. The murders began when Tumblety arrived in London and stopped when he departed. An East End landlady found a bloodsnaked shirt in a mom she had recently let to an American gentleman. His hatred of women was such that his most prized possession back home - and I'm alraid this is where it gets nasty — was a collection of bottled wombs. Most of the Ripper's victims, you may

recall, had their uterus removed, There was other stuff as well, which in the best traditions of a quickly proved too complicated to remember. There was a suitcase with "obscene material" in it, there were arrests for gross indecency. It all seemed pretty damning, conclu-sive stuff. But it always does.

S o why hadn't anyone done anything about this Tumble-ty before? Well, it turned out they had - in spades. What sparked the programme - and the book that it was clearly drawn from - was the discovery of an apparently authentic letter written by a J.G. Littlechild of Scotland Yard. Writing some 25 years after the murders, Littlechild alleged that Tumblety had been the chief suspect. So why no fuss in the burgeoning press that we had heard so much about? Why indeed? The letter was

acquired by Stewart Evans, a full-

time Suffolk police constable and

part-time Ripper expert. Together

REVIEW

Matthew Bond

with a colleague he discovered that, unlike their British counterparts, the American newspapers had been full of stories linking Tumblety to the Whitechapel murders - he had the cuttings to prove it. As Evans put it: "He was there on every page." Why had the British press not picked up these reports? Why did Scotland Yard not pursue the inquiries it initiated in America? I'm afraid I haven't a clue and nor, it seems, has any-budy else. The Scotland Yard file on Tumblety is . . . missing, Well, I never. Next.

My own investigation into Ian Pattison has so far unearthed just two facts. First that the writer/adapter of Rab C. Nesbitt. Para Handy, Bad Boys and now Atletico Partick (BBCI) is definitely the man that Scottish actors most want to meet. And second, that his own comedies normally take a bit of getting used to. If you're still muttering "disgusting" by episode three ... well, there's always Para Handy.
Atletico Partick, which we first

saw last summer as a pilot show, looks as if it might take a lot of getting used to. For the opening ten minutes it positively creaked along - wooden acting, rusty dialogue and decrepit jokes. Some of them were also pretty disgusting, but then it was late at night - I think we could cope.

did enough to show that all is not yet lost. In particular, there was an engaging surrealism about some of the sits that this com confronted. Last night, for instance. Grew, the goalkeeper for the Scottish Sunday League football team of the title, was having trouble coming to terms with the fact his wife had become a witch: "She said she wanted to do something positive with her life . . . so she's taken up

A s a result, while Sean, the midfield dynamo, had to grout the lavvy to get a pass for a Tuesday night out, Grew had to sacrifice a sheep on the altar of Satan". Well, it made me laugh, as did "get your mother stripped, she's playing up front".
As well as raising a titter, those two were among the very few jokes

family newspaper. That is not

that would make it to the pages of a

with Men Behaving Badly is a smart move remains to be seen. One way or another, it is not an hour for the faint-hearted. Finally, let us consider The Street (BBCZ), presented by Kirsty

Young wearing her concerned expression. It is like a Down Your Way for the 1990s, where instead of being asked to choose a favourite piece of music, the residents of a chosen thoroughfare (last night's was in County Durham) are in-vited to share their problems, seek counselling, get free advice . . . the full, nanny-state disaster. The show is obviously well-intentioned (all do-gooders are) but this open-ing episode came over as glib. patronising and far too like a lowbudget Challenge Anneka for its own good. I hope they're not coming down my street.

Lynne Truss is on holiday

## 6.00am Business Breakfast (98404)

7.00 Olympic Breakfast. Featuring the overnight action from Atlanta Including the women's 800m freestyle swimming linal, the men's 50m freestyle and highlights of Britain v Malaysia hockey (s). Includes 7.15, 7.45, 7.45 News (29775) 9.00 News (Ceelax) (4791133)

9.05 Olympic Grandstand. Extended highlights of the last night's action, including swimming, hockey, gymnastics, boxing, tennis, badminton and basketball (Ceefax) (sj. Includes 11.00, 12.00 News and weather (49196404)

12.35pm Neighbours. Annairse pays a high price for her relationship with Stonie (Ceelax) (s) (9574959)

1.00 News and Weather (Ceefax) (22862) 1.30 Regional News (12192959)

1.40 Olympic Grandstand. The first of the day's live reports featuring round one of the women's 400m and the qualifying rounds of the men's high jump. Plus at 4.00 Linford Christie begins his detence of his 100m title. Also in this report threeday eventing, swimming, rowing, tennis and cycling. Plus coverage of the Test between England and Pakistan at Lord's (s) (94301775)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (Ceetar) (s) (145268) 6.00 News and Weather (Ceeiax) (355) 6.30 Regional news magazines (607)

7.00 Essential Olympics. Desmond Lynam reviews the day's action from Atlanta, including the opening day of the athletics competition. Featuring Linford Christie in the first rounds of the 100m. Plus action from the three-day eventing, cycling and judo competitions (Ceefax) (s) (50317)

EastEnders. Both Alan and lan suffer at the hands of their respective parents (Ceetax) (s) (8336) Ceelax)(9046)

9.30 Chicago Hope. After he undergoes an extraordinary operation to remove a steel rod protruding from his head, the personality of Dalton Robertson is changed beyond recognition (Ceefax) (s)

10.15 Olympic Grandstand, Desmond Lynam introduces live coverage of the track and field events including 10.30 Women's 800m leaturing Kelly Holmes 11.05 Women's 100m second round 11.10 Men's triple jump qualitying rounds featuring world champion and world record holder Jonathan Edwards 11.35 Men's 100m second round 12.00 Men's 400m first round featuring Roger Black and Du'aine Ladejo. The last of the swimming finals are contested tonight at 12.45 and 1.12 with Britain's hopes riding on the backs of Paul Palmer and Graeme Smith in the 1500m freestyle. Plus boying, weightlifting and yachting action (s) (64310997)

4.25 FILM: Cardboard Cavalier (1949, b/w) with Sid Field, Margaret Lockwood, Irene Handl and Jack McNaughton, Historical hapless truit-and-veg man, who is unwittingly caught up in a Royalist plot to overthrow Cromwell Directed by Walter Forde (71998398) Ends at **6.00** 

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## 6.10am Open University: Designs for Living (6661607) 6.35 El Escorial (8185046) 7.00 Breakfast News

9.05 Spiderman (r) (s) [3209423) 9.25 Bouncing Back: the Best Bits of Johnny Bell (r) (Ceetax) (s) (6309336) 9.55 Poddington Peas (r) (6288510) 10.00 Playdays (r) (s) (6272959) 10.25 The Addams Family (5198249)

10.50 Cricket — First Test. Coverage of the second day of the first Test (s) (71628065)

1.00pm Secret Life of Toys (r) (s) (76982539) 1.15 A-Z of Food (72704881) 1.25 West it Well (76961046)

1.40 Cricket — First Test and Racing from Ascot, Coverage from Lord's plus racing, the 2.15, 2.45, 3.15 and 3.50 races. Including at 3.00 News and weather (a) (86477978)

4.05 News and Weather (Ceetax) (716881) 4.10 To Me...to You (Ceetax) (s) (5574978) 4.35 Pirates (Ceetax) (r) (5965133) 5.00 Newsround (Ceetax) (8446775) 5.10 Record Breakers (r) (Ceelax) (s) (7805930)

5.35 Cricket — First Test and Olympic Grandstand. Further live coverage of the second day's play at Lord's plus news from Atlanta (s) (5686959)

7.00 Top of the Pops (Ceeíax) (s) (1423) 7.30 Gardeners' World. Stephen Lacy enjoys the sweet scent of shrub roses (Ceefax)

8.00 War Walks. The first of six journeys through six centuries of warfare in the company of military historian Professor Richard Holmes (Ceefax) (s) (7341)

8.30 Olympic Grandstand. Sue Barker introduces action from Atlanta including the women's javelin and 800m. Plus judo, weightlifting and tennis (s) (59599423)

10.15 Travel Show Short Cuts (350510) 10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (219997)



11.15 Pilot Paradise. A special double feature from the pen of the inimitable Roy Clarke Coen All Hours was first shown in 1973. Ronnie Barker plays the irascible shopkeeper, Arkwright, torever watching the till, bullying his nephew (David Jason) or chasing Nurse Gladys Emmanuel (Linda Barron) Last of the Summer Wine and still appears to be going strong.

12.20am Cricket - First Test. Highlights from Lord's (s) (7387640)

1.00-2.00 Olympic Grandstand. Live hockey from Atlanta where Britain's women take on the world champions, Australia (s)

5.35 Open University: Bridges — Spanning terials (2963621)

## CHOICE

War Walks: Agincourt BBC2, 8.00pm (not Northern Ireland)

The military historian Richard Holmes puts on a suit of armour, brushes up on the awasome power of the English longbow and recreates. Henry V's victory over the French in 1415. War Walks features six celebrated battles and Hollman's trait cheesele entering the control of th battles and Holmes's task should get easier when he reaches the present century. In describing Agincourt he has no film to draw upon, indeed no visual material of any sort apart from paintings. For the look of the battle he relies on Kenneth Branagh's nuddy Shakespearean epic. questionable as a source though closer to reality than the heroic Olivier version. In Holmes's account Agincourt was far from glorious. On the way thousands of soldiers died from dysentery, drunkenness threatened discipline and the battle itself was a slow pedestrian plod rather than a triumphant advance. The butchery of French prisoners was a sharmeful

Garden Party Channel 4, 8\_30pm

It seemed a good enough idea, getting amateur gardeners to question the experts in a notable horticultural setting, but this particular party failed to go with a swing. The radio's evergreen Gardeners' Question Time, which has used the same basic element since 1947, was not eclipsed. But now that Garden Party is well into the run. familiarity has started to overcome the initial doubts. The programme still lacks the fluency and polish of the best television gardening series but judged on content rather than presentation it has its value. Today Tom Barber and the team are at Chenies Manor in the Chilterns, where the gardens retain much of the late Elizabethan layout. For the present owners, the challenge has been to develop a garden which gives interest throughout the year.

**EastEnders** 

This screening of the indestructable soap is notable not for any special dramatic content, although plenty of incident can be guaranteed, but because it will the fourth episode in a week. The reason is the Olympic Games. An extra helping of EastEnders is a preemptive strike against complaints of too much sport. Which seems a bit rough on viewers who have no interest in either the Olympics or the shouting matches in Albert Square, though there are channels who carry neither. An additional episode of EastEnders will be shown next Friday but that, the BBC assures us, will be that. Any suggestion of a dry run in anticipation of the four-times-areek Coronation Street planned for November is firmly rejected. But the viewing figures which soaps command may one day make the temptation irresistible.

The White Room Channel 4, 11.35pm

The rock music show returns for a third series, having established a deserved reputation for quality, variety and unpretentious presentation. As before there are at least five acts each week, performing in front of a studio audience. They have been chosen to represent the range of musical styles and not necessarily because they have new album to promote. Unusual collaborations, such as, in previous series, between Marc Almond and Gene or Lou Reed and Dave Stewart, will again feature. Mark Radcliffe, a disc jockey who combines enthusiasm, knowledge and unflappability. returns as presenter. Among those appearing on the first show are the British rap artist Mark Morrison and the singers Beck and Neneh Cherry. Peter Waymark

## 6.00am GMTV (1033713)

9.25 Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn

Left (r) (Teletext) (s) (6305510) 9.50 Hope and Gloria (7871404) 10.20 News headlines (9257046)

10.25 HTV News (Teletext) (9256317) 10.30 A Woman Named Jackle (86865775) 12,20pm HTV News (Teletext) (2089607) 12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (9593084)

12.55 Sixth Sense (Teletext) (s) (9578775)
1.25 Liz Earle's Lifestyle (Teletext) (s) (5721881) 2.00 Home and Away (Teletext) (s) (61461220) 2.25 Murder, She Wrote (s) (7678249) 3.20 News (9099268) 3.25 HTV News (9098539)

3.30 Rosle and Jim (3263336) 3.40 The Treacle People (1928862) 3.50 Zzzapł (6484065) 4.10 Cartoon Time (5570152) 4.30 Sylvester and Tweety Mysteries (5969336) 4.50 Art Attack (7211688)

5.10 A Country Practice (s) (7359539) 5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (654591) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (s)

6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (228626) 6.50 Let's Go (608133)



Tracy Shaw as Maxine (7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. It is the day of Alex's talent contest and Maxine (Tracy Shaw) wows the audience. (Teletext) (959) 8.00 The Bill. Daly is determined to get to the truth when a white teenager takes the blame for his black friends' misbehaviour

(Teletext) (4997) 8,30 Police, Camera, Action. Alastair Stewart introduces another selection of clios featuring dangerous driving from around the world (r) (Teletext) (s) (3404)

9.00 Savannah. Veronica moves in with Edward (Teletext) (s) (5713)

10.00 News (Teletext) and weather (15997) 10.30 HTV West Headlines (494201)

10.40 FILM: Three Days of the Condor (1975) with Robert Rectord, Faye Dunaway and Ciff Robertson. An unassuming library clerk working for the CIA uncovers a covert intelligence operation and tries to turn the table those who want him dead. Directed by Sydney Pollack (65349510) 12.45am Stand Up (7557805)

1.20 The Good Sex Guide . . . Late (s)

2.20 FILM: Nightmare at Bitter Creek (1987) with Lindsay Wagner, Tom Skerritt and Constance McCashin. A deadly game of cat and mouse is played out in the Sierra mountains when three backpackers come across a group of neo-Nazi's. Directed by Tim Burstall (459350) 4.05 Not Fade Away (r) (s) (2039114)

5.00 Best of British Motor Sport (r) (80447) 5.30 Morning News (26076)

As HTV WEST except: 6.25-7.00 Wates Tonight (376688)

## WESTCOUNTRY

As HTV West except: 10.30am Murder, She Wrote (1013336) 11.25 Side Effects (4907274) 12.55pm Coronation Street (9578775) 1.25-1.55 Cross Wits (61321336) 1.55 Home and Away (92615404)

2.25 High Road (61471607) 2.55-3.20 Gardeners' Diary (7142713) 5.10 Home and Away (7359539) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (10930) 10.30 Westcountry News (418881)

10.45 Film: Prince of Darkness (798978)

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6.25-7.00 Central News (376688) 10.40 Film: Miami Blues (76655794) 12.25am Profile (1068621)

12.45 Cornedy Central (786027) 1.45 The Good Sex Guide . . . Late (775911) 2.45 cyber.cafe (9151553) 3.10 Dear Nick (3166718)

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10.45 The Magic and Mystery Show (355572) 11.15 Behind the Ball (385713) 11.45 Hunter (328688)

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Film: Doomwatch (131602)

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2.15 FILM: The Old Meld (1939, b/w). Classic tearjerker starring Bette Davis as a mother who selflessly makes herself into an old maid to give her illegitimate daughter a better chance in life. Directed by Edmund Goulding (Teletexi) (846713) 4.00 Backdate (s) (Teletext) (688) 4.30 Countdown (s) (Teletext) (572) 5.00 Keepers of the Kingdoms(r) (Teletext)

6.00 Hangin' with Mr Cooper (s) (Teletext)

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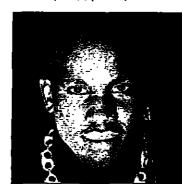
(Teletext) (s) (2539) 8.30 Garden Party (Teletext) (s) (1046)

9.00 Cybili. Cybili decides to host a celebrity funeral for her agent (Teletext) (s) (5084) 9.30 Friends. Phoebe is fired from her singing job and is replaced by none other than Chrissie Hynde (Teletext) (s) (20317)

10.00 Frasier. Kate decides that Bulldog is just fine with all the pranks he is playing on Frasier (Teletext) (s) (13539)

10.30 Whose Line is it Anyway? Improvised cornedy (Teletext) (s) (564959)

11.05 Takeover TV. Adam Buxton introduces a Balman spoof (s) (883171)



The rapper Mark Morrison (11.35pm)

11.35 The White Room. Mark Radcliffe returns. Tonight's guests include British rapper Mark Morrison, Neneh Cherry and Beck (s)

12.35am FILM: The Hurricane (1937, b/w) starring Dorothy Lamour, Mary Astor, Jon Hali, C. Aubrey Smith, Raymond Massey and John Carradine. Classic Samuel Goldwin/ John Ford disaster epic with a stunning hurricane climax (65669)

2.30 FILM: Doomwatch (1972). Ecological uncovers sinister disfigurements among islands off the coast of Cornwall while investigating reports of major pollution. Also with Judy Geeson and George Sanders. Directed by Peter Sasdy (67114) Ends at **4.00am** 

## • For more comprehensive listings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision supplement, published Saturday SKY ONE

T.00am Undam (65591) 9.00 Press, Your Lud- (1659046) 9.20 Love Connection (32:3268) 9.45 The Oprah Wintrey Show (9963171) 10.40 Jeopardy! (6001336) 11.10 Sally Jessy Raphael (103420) 12.00 Scintings (2688) 12.30pm Murphy Brown (60596) 1.00 Hotel (81442) 2.00 Genatio (26201) 3.00 Court TV (1688) 3.30 The Oprah Wintrey Show (5081084) 4.15 Undam (4774794) 5.00 Quantum Leap (5268) 6.00 Bowerly Hilk 90210 (78978) 7.00 Spell-tourid (6697) 7.30 M\*AS\*H (2423) 8.00 3rd Rock from the Sun (2317) 8.30 Jimmy's (4152) 9.00 Watker, Texas Ranger (61143) 10.00 Opentum Leap (11620) 11.00 High-(4152) 9.00 Walker, Toxas Ranger (61143) 10.00 Ouentum Leap (11620) 11.00 High-lander (85355) 12.00 Late Show with David Letterman (1755534) 12.45am Miracles and Other Wonders (9075805) 1.30 Smoul-dering Lusi (47843) 2.00 Hil Mox (2250398) SKY NEWS

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SKY MOVIES 6.00am Bigger Than Life (1956) (23862) 8.00 All These Women (1964) (43861) 10.00 Franch Silk (1993) (64775) 12.00 The Way West (1957) (33404) 2.00pm POC ., Smiths: The Legend (1995) (92572) 4.00 Disorderlies (1987) (4012) 6.00 The This Soldier (1995) (12336) 8.00 Princess Caraboo (1994) (17881) 10.00 Above the Rim (1994) (219133) 11.40 Back in Action (1994) (219133) 11.40 Back in Singahot (1994) (283997) 1.05am The Singahot (1994) (25783) 2.50 The Substitute Wife (1994) (7332468) 4.20 is: The Legend (1995)

## SKY MOVIES GOLD

12.00 Clue (1985) (54046) 2.00pm High Society (1956) (75882) 4.00 Broken Lance (1954) (5442) 6.00 Big Jim Mclain (1952) (94978) 8.00 Clue (1985) (99423) 10.00 Predictor (1987) (965775) 11.50 To Live and Die in La (1985) (890317) 1.50em it. . . (1988) (599766) 3.46-5.30 The Killers (1946) (575843)

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am When Wille Comes Marching Home (1950) (23133) 7-30 My Naighbour Totaro (1953) (46084) 9.00 Bugs Bunny Superstar (1975) (48215133) 10.35 Swallows and Amazons (1974) (28442666) 12.10pm Francis (1950) (221355) 2.200 Living it Up (1954) (23442) 4.00 My Neighbour Totaro (1983) (1442) 6.00 Children of the Dark (1994) (7505) 7-30 UK Top Tan (5133) 8.00 Ace Ventura: Pet Detective (1994) (13978) 9.30 The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert (1994) (791591) 11.15 Freaked (1983) (362317) 12.45am Romentic (1983) (48337) 2.30 There Are No Children Here (1993) (404242) 4.05-6.00 Bugs Bunny Superstar (1975) (742553)

## THE DISNEY CHANNEL

Sky Movies Gold takes over from 10pm (95073171) 8.05 FILM: Mrs Lambert Remembers Love (70449084) 9.35-10.00 Zoro (36483959)

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7.00am Formule Three Racing (12423)
7.30 World Wresting Federation — Action
Zone (8666) 8.30 Reamp (News (39626)
9.00 Aerobics CC Style (20978) 8.30 Suffi
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Mundiel (71688) 10.30 Tight Lines (41152)
11.30 Galene World Sport Special (20081)
12.00 Formula Three Racing (33442)
12.30pm Boots in Al (52268) 1.30 PGA
European Golf: Dutch Open (195066) 4.30
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World Wrestling Federation — Raw (1084)
6.00 Style Sports Centre (63249) 6.05
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SKY SPORTS 2

SKY SPORTS 2 7.00pm Trans World Sport (33/1442) 8.00 PGA European Golf Brosh Seniors Open (33/8978) 10.00 Golf USA CVS Chartly Class (60/56442) 11.30-1.00em PGA Euro-

pean Golf Dutch Open (4173065) THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL 4.00am Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4.15 Krdz TV 4.30 Ray Bevan 5.00 Votce of Victory 5.30 Christian Music TV 5.45 Today 6.15 This is Your Day 6.45-7.00 Good Молипа Ешора

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Carl Weathers, Arnold Schwarzenegger (Sky Movies Gold 10pm)

7.00em Guiding Light (3812978) 7.55 As the World Turns (4693046) 8.50 Peyton Place (9184930) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (9761220) 10.10-11.00 Another World SKY TRAVEL

11.00am Bournerang (3991602) 11.30 American Vacation (8855336) 12.30pm Cooking in France (6245599) 1.00 Getaway (6978962) 1.30 Great Escapes (8237510) 2.00 Florida (2270317) 2.30 Crusting the Globe (11671959) 3.00 Globetrotter (2562152) 3.30 Around the World (5642930) 3.56-4.00 Holiday Shop THE HISTORY CHANNEL

4.00pm Weapons at War (5981882) 5.00 Ancient Mystenes (2273404) 6.00-7.00 Biography Susan B Anthony (6213930) THE SCI-FI CHANNEL Firms, features and classic sci-fi series every day from Sam-Zero on cable and 1am-4am, plus 7pm-10pm Monday-Wednesday, on satellite 1,00am The So. Million Doller Man (3017878) 2,00-4,00 F7,M; Beyond Atlan-

9.00em The Joy of Painting (5460959) 9.30 Gardeners' Diary (8153775) 10.00 Traiblezers (5169055) 10.30 Traiblezers (5169055) 10.30 Traiblezers (5482171) 11.00 Traiblezers (1278978) 12.00 Julia Child (5473423) 12.30pm The Frugal Gournet (8157591) 1.00 Smoly Delicious with Family and Friends (1046997) 1.30 Home Again with Bob Vila (8150862) 2.00 Our House (5657571) 2.30 Garden Cub (3956423) 3.00 Two's Country (9607256) 3.30-4.00 This Old House (3968268)

UK GOLD

7.00mm Happy Ever Alter (1049084) 7.30 Neighbours (1028591) 8.00 Angels (5472794) 8.30 EastEnders (5471056) 9.00 The Bill (5462317) 9.30 The Sullivans (8155133) 10.00 Poldark (1024775) 11.30 Bullseye (1279607) 11.30 Tellystack (1270336) 12.00 Sale of the Cermy (547588) 12.30mm Neightours (816629) (12/0395) 12.00 Sale of the Cemtry (547586) 12.30 m Neightours (8168299) 1.00 EsstEnders (2160355) 1.36 H-De-H (4036442) 2.15 The Liver Birds (6190572) 2.50 Teny and June (6851959) 3.30 The Bif (3966626) 4.00 One by One (52437201) 5.05 Tellyslack (54569510) 5.35 XYZ Enders (4892152) 7.00 The Good Old Days (369930) 8.00 Bulbeye (6457733) 8.30 French Fields (1207030) 9.00 Cestally (3617442) 10.00 The Bill (3894220) 10.35 Alerea Sayle's Stuff (1584355) 11.10 Minds (4477539) 12.15am FILM: The Purel

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NICKELODEON

6.00 am Banaras in Pyjamas (3341626) 8.15 Mr Men (3339881) 8.30 Batos (88978) 7.00 Littlest Pet Snop (10085) 7.30 Turtles (98672) 8.00 Bites Mice (38997) 8.30 Mighty Max (37268) 9.00 Rugaris (96684) 10.00 Asshriff Real Monsters (62930) 10.30 Doug (17404) 11.00 Pacto (27944) 11.30 Pete and Pete (28423) 12.00 Alex Mack (31084) 12.30 pm Ren and Stroy (98355) 1.00 Santo Bugto (19335) 1.30 Capital Criters (88626) 2.00 Ferrals (8539) 2.30 Mighty Max (2688) 3.00 Biter Macc (5048) 3.30 Asahirif Real Monsters (7133) 4.00 Tales from the Copylaepen (5268) 4.30 Rugats (5152) 5.00 Sister Saster (9626) 6.00 Alex Mack (3317) 6.30-7.00 Are You Alrad of the Dark? (7997)

DISCOVERY 4.00pm Legends of History (1251201) 5.00 Time Traveliers (4657751) 5.30 Jurassica (3657539) 6.00 Beyond 2000 (8165510) 7.00 Whit Things HumanNature (4552107) 7.30 Mystenous Forces Beyond (3944688) 8.00 Natural Born Killers (3655220) 9.00 Justice Ties (3655084) 10.00 Mercedes Berz (5474152) 10.30 Vauchali (5450572) 11.00-12.00 Unexplained (1023046)

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Cook (3915336) 7.05 Delia Smith (2962521)
7.35 Trivial Pursual (906317) 8.00 Sired
Legal (2751989) 9.00 FILM: Prescription
for Neuroler (44754572) 10.40 Entertainment Now! (4106959) 11.00-12.00 The
Erogenous Zone

**FAMILY CHANNEL** 

8.00pm Road to Avoniea (8152) 8.00 Batman (7959) 8.30 Calchphrase (1539) 7.00 Timel Pursut (9881) 7.30 The Byrds of Paradise (91507) 8.30 Cnly When I Laugh (4339) 9.00 Father Dowling (88317) 10.00 Tressure Hunt (81404) 11.00 Sirens (69299) 12.00 The Byrds of Paradise (95331) 1.00am Batman (70521) 1.30 Father Dowling (21602) 2.30 All Together Now (17737) 3.00 Big Brother Jake (90489) 3.30 GP (65319) 4.00-6.00 Road to Avoniea

7,30am Body Double 2 (59864) 8.00 Morning Mix Featuring Cinematic (540626)

11.00 Dance Floor Chart (85404) 12.00 Greatest Hits Olyympic Edition (86046) 1.00pm Music Non-Stop (80807) 3.00 Select MTV (77713) 4.00 Harging Out Summertime (10688) 5.30 Dial MTV (2404) Summertime (10688) 5.30 Dial MTV (2404) 6.00 Hanging Edra (3317) 6.30 MTV News Weekend Edition (3997) 7.00 Greatest Historympic Edition (84561) 8.00 Celebrity Miv (25369) 9.00 Singled Out (52404) 9.30 MTV Amour (99539) 10.30 Chiere MTV (55317) 11.00 Party Zone (52336) 1.00mm Night Videos (7155973) 5.00-8.00 Awake on the Wildside (43009)

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**FRIDAY JULY 26 1996** 

Lord's Test finely balanced after England expose opponents' batting frailties

# Inzamam holds Pakistan together

and then, to his horror, found

his bat tangling with his pads. He was bowled, middle

stump, behind his legs, a

bizarre way for a Test No 3 to

It was mid-afternoon before

England struck again. The

third-wicket pair added 130 and, for all the lively field-

settings of a conspicuously

proactive Atherton, they were

seldom troubled. Cork conced-

ed 13 in the final over of the morning, an ominous precur-sor. Yet Atherton's developing

willingness to try anything

For the fortieth over, he introduced Graeme Hick, who

had not taken a Test wicket

since December in Johannesburg. With his fourth ball, he

induced a rare blemish from Anwar, who top-edged a cut

for Russell to grab the thick

deflection at the third attempt.

Against Pakistan, for whom

nothing is ever quite as

serene as it may seem, one

breach is often all that is

Salim Malik's sorry form

continues. Reprieved on

nought, though the chance to

Atherton at short extra cover

was devilishly hard, he contrived to run himself out

attempting a second run to

This brought in the teena

newcomer, Shadab Kabir,

Salisbury at mid-wicket.

available came to the rescue.

LORD'S (first day of five, Pakistan won toss): Pakistan have scored 290 for nine wickets against England

THE infamous fragility of Pakistan's batting once more threatened to be their undoing yesterday. Half an hour into the first Cornhill Test, with thousands of perspiring latecomers still locating their seats and complaining bitterly about the timing of the Tube strike, Inzamam-ul-Haq sauntered to the middle at Lord's with his side 12 for two. Calamity loomed, yet this engaging, imposing character had the unconcerned air of a man taking a stroll in the

He strolled to some effect. Inzamam, mortified to average only 13 in his first Test series here in 1992, batted through the next five hours of a blissful day virtually without error or anxiety. He did not wrest control of this game and nobody can yet state with confidence where that lies but his formidable presence was unbending against England's attempt to dictate absolute terms in the critical opening episode of a short

It was a considerable innings, the highest score of a Test career that had once seemed destined to remain grounded. The Inzamam England knew four years ago overweight and apparently overrated - has been transformed into a slimmer figure and a streamlined player, one capable of introspection when the situation demands, yet equally adept at the flowing cover drive or the withering puil. Pakistan have long claimed him as a talent to rival the best in the world. Here

was the proof. It was not, however, a day of lost opportunity for England, much less a cause for recrimination. Inzamam made more than half his side's runs and another 74 came from Saeed Anwar. On a slow but true pitch, nobody else scored 20 and an England attack boasting only 24 caps among five bowlers can feel delighted with its productivity, if not entirely with its performance.

Deprived by injury of Chris Lewis, comfortably their most experienced bowler, England approached a daunting task with vitality and perseverance. They deserve great credit. The caveat must be added, however, for the seamers did not always maintain a challenging line and Dominic Cork too often strayed in length on a pitch where only the very quickest could expect to get away with it.

Quite how quickly Cork was bowling cannot be reported, owing to the malfunctioning of the "Sword Sniper", unveiled two days earlier with the boast that it would "revolutionise cricket-watching". It worked adequately for no more than an hour of the day and the technical explanation was that its radar signals were being jumbled by the electronic sightscreen. As both are sponsored by the same razor manufacturers, no sympathy will

The empty seats were not confined to the stands, nor the reason to cancelled trains. Some of the commentary boxes were also thinly populated owing to conflicting engage-ments in the High Court libel action involving Imran Khan, Ian Botham and Allan Lamb. Thankfully, this unedifying sideshow did not divert anyone from the main event and Michael Atherton was on hand to lose the toss, just as he had in the three Tests against

Masterful innings County scoreboards .... Windows's century .

India. An hour later, he would not have minded. By then, Simon Brown had marked his Test debut with an achievement that even he, the antithesis of vanity, will treasure. Entrusted with the new ball from the Pavilion End, the lefthander took a wicket before he had conceded a run. It came from his ninth ball, as he did precisely what Atherton had hoped, swinging the ball into the left-handed Aamir Sohail

to win a leg-before appeal. Ijaz Ahmed came and went rapidly, his departure covered in embarrassment. Moving across his crease in Cork's fourth over, his purpose unclear, Ijaz first found the ball straighter than he imagined

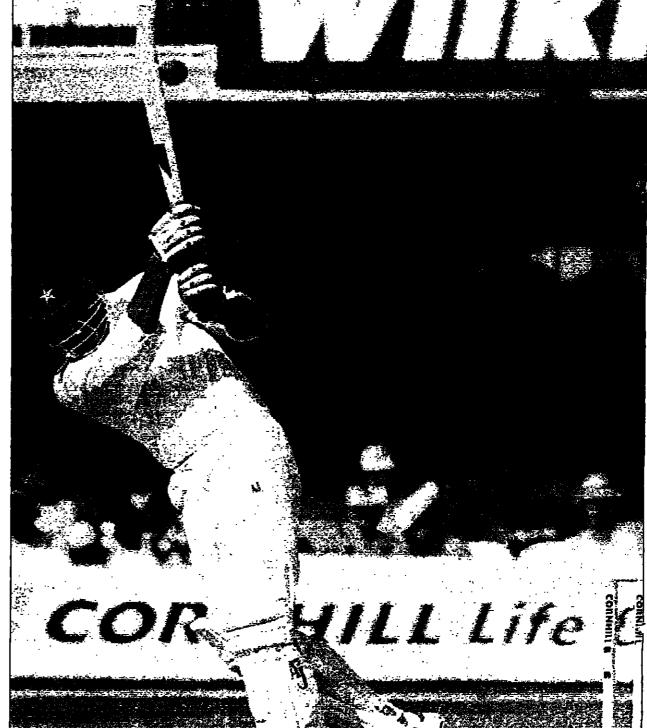
who demonstrated an organised technique for the next 20 overs. However, the feeling persisted that England were now playing Inzamam on one level and the rest on another. The final session proved as much. Five wickets fell after tea, starting with leg-before victims for Cork and Ealham and ending with a spell of three for 14 from Mullally,

necessary.

complementing his admirable economy with something more tangible. It also completed a memorable day for the combination of Brown and Mullally, who are the first pair of left-arm fast England since Frank Foster and Harry Dean in the trian-

gular tournament of 1912.

The Pakistan lower order looked as vulnerable as the top end had done at the start of play. Only Inzamam, retiring modest acknowledge ment of a standing ovation, stopped this being a wonderful day for England but today they must confront and conquer the tougher suit of Pakistan cricket, the bowling.



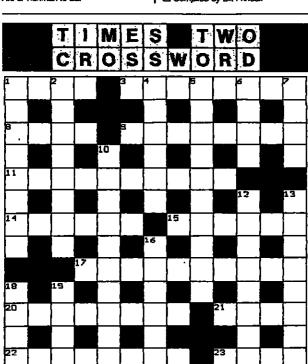
Inzamam clubs Hick for six over the leg-side field to bring up his century on the opening day of the first Cornhill Test at Lord's yesterday. The Pakistan batsman went on to make 148. Photograph: Ian Stewart

## SCOREBOARD FROM LORD'S

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(oxinar, 3a deas shtaq Ahmed c Russell b Mutlally (27min, 29 balls, 2 fours) qar Younis c Brown b Mutlally (14min, 9 balls, 1 four) Extras (b 3. lb 3. nb 3) ..... Total (9 wkts, 89.4 overs, 372min) 290 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7 (Saeed 4), 2-12 (Saeed 8), 3-142 (Inzamam 62), 4-153 (Inzamam 64), 5-209 (Inzamam 102), 6-257 (Inzamam 138), 7-257 (Rashid 0), 8-280 (Rashid 1), 9-290 (Rashid 7), 8-000 (Rashid 1), 9-290 (Rashid 7), 8-000 (Rashid 7), 8-000 (Rashid 7), 9-290 (R



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# All oarsmen are equal, some more than others

FROM SIMON BARNES IN ATLANTA

LEAN on the rails of the parade ring before the Derby. Cast an eye over the beasts that march before you and pick a winner. And the truth hits you: they *all* look fabulous. And that is because they all are fabulous, the 500-1 outsider and the even-mone favourites two wonderful glossy athletes. They weigh the same, work

the same, eat the same, train the same. And one will crave the lead, burst to assert his dominance through speed and power, while the other will accept his inferior status. Which horse will give his all, content in the knowledge that he will never lead the herd? Which will always have his nose in front, cannot bear to be passed even at a walk? Just from looking, there is no

in all sport, it is the mystery of mysteries.
And that is Steve Redgrave for you. Certainly, he is tall, beautifully built, very strong. a wonderful athlete — but, then, aren't they ali? In the Lake Lanier complex. 1 am surrounded by wonderful athletes, and a brave sight it is,

way to tell. In horse racing, as

There is more to winning rowing events than strength, of course. First, there is the matter of finesse, not something you normally associate with such big men as Redgrave and his partner. Matthew Pinsent It is the way in which you apply your

force that moves a boat. And there is the matter of racing nous and, with it, racing nerve. Both men said ungrudgingly that they will



final begins. "When you've been together as a pair for a long time." Redgrave said. "the minor races don't mean so much. And the big races

matter even more." They don't get a great deal bigger than the one on Saturday and Redgrave, asked once again to talk us through it, stared moodily past us, chin on hands. He is a quieteyed man at the best of times. but here it seemed that something in him had gone slightly dead. What's up, Steve?

He looked up, mildly startled at this question intruding on his brooding. "Down to serious business now," he said. "My mind is elsewhere. My mind is on the job. On the last two or three training sessions we've got left. On the race. Sorry I'm not with you." It was a revealing moment.

reveal much; nothing to declare but his genius. Most athletes give themselves away in competition; joys and paroxysms of self-doubt are revealed in a thousand expressions and bits of body language. But Redgrave gives be nervous on Saturday as the away nothing. He faces a race

from a man who does not

overwhelming favourite for

Most see it almost as a ritual enthronement as Redgrave joins the sporting immortals, four gold medals in four Games and all that. But Redgrave sees opponents to destroy. At the last world championships, he and Pinsent surveyed the pretenders to their dominance. At the start, Redgrave said: "Let's crush some dreams."

One wonders at the strength of desire, the greed for dominance that keeps Redgrave in the dream-crushing buiness. The United States pair had been touted as a serious threat to the big Brits, and they came out storming. Redgrave and Pinsent gave them a lesson in racing, and delivered it with

some viciousness. The American crew gave their all from the start, and that is not a wise thing to do. The relegation of the Americans to the B final gave quiet pleasure to Redgrave. "Our aim is to win gold," he said. "It's hard to do that from the

B final." They qualified with the third fastest time. Does that worry you Steve? All we got from that one was a headshake. His mind was again miles away, filled not with dreams of victory but with the brutal six-and-a-bit minutes of

racing that lie ahead. There are some horses that get so enraged if a horse attempts to pass them that they bare their teeth and bite. anyone tries to pass Redgrave on Saturday, expect him to lean, snarling, out of his boat and savage them.

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## **Christie** eyes the possibility of defeat

FROM DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THE Linford Christie we know was not the Linford Christie we heard yesterday and certainly not the Christie we are used to seeing. He sounded like a man bracing himself for defeat and the look of fixed determination in his eyes had given way to blue contact lenses coated with his sponsor's logo.

As he prepared to begin the defence of his Olympic 100 metres title today, Christie said something we had not heard from him before: "Winning is not everything." He was, he added, "more laid back, more relaxed" than for previous championships.

Then, realising he was promoting the chances of Frankie Fredericks, who starts as favourite, he added: "If people say I'm more relaxed because I have accepted I am going to lose, to those people I say: Hey, you don't know me very well'. ve got as good a chance

as anybody."
"Will he be wearing the lenses today?" he was asked. "That remains to be seen," he replied. "The IOC will probably hear about them and ban

Jonathan Edwards, Britain's best gold-medal hope. said yesterday that he was not entirely happy with is technique as he prepares for the qualifying round of the triple jump today. It was not he said, as "solid" as it had been last year, when he broke the world record twice in taking the world title in Gothenburg.

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